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CONGRESS LEADERS TO BE RELEASED TODAY

Wavell Announces Interim Govt. Plan

Hindu-Muslim Parity In Central Cabinet

Conference Of Invitees From Political Parties To Suggest Names For New Executive

Members of the Congress Working Committee are to be released, announced H. E. Viscount Wavell, Viceroy, in the course of his broadcast on Thursday on His Majesty's Government's proposals for ending the political deadlock in India.

His Majesty's Government, in making these fresh proposals, hopes that the new Government will help to prosecute the war against Japan with utmost energy and to carry out post-war reconstruction work in India.

With only a minor change in the 1935 India Act the proposed Executive Council, except for the Viceroy and the C.-inC., will be completely Indianised with External Affairs, Home and Finance departments in Indian hands. Britain will appoint a High Commissioner in India as in other dominions.

The Viceroy assures that the power of veto will not be used unreasonably.

The names of persons from amongst whom the selection of the new Executive, which will have caste Hindu-Muslim parity, will be made are to be suggested by an "Ad Hoc" conference of invitees from the main Indian political parties to be convened at Simla on June 25.

INVITEES

Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah are invited to attend with the following 11 Premiers:

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari (Madras), Mr. B. G. Kher (Bombay), Pandit Pant, (U. P.) Pandit Ravishankar Sukla, (C. P.), Dr. Khan Saheb (N.-W.F.P.) Mr. Sri Krishna Sinha (Bihar), Sir Mohammed Saadulla, (Assam), Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatulla, (Sind), Malik Khizar Hayat Khan (Punjab), Sir Nazimuddin, (Bengal), and the Raja of Parlakimedi (Orissa).

The following are also invited: Rao Bahadur Sivaraj, Master Tara Singh, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Leader of the Congress Party in the Assembly, Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, Deputy Leader of the Muslim League Party in the Central Assembly Dr. P. N. Bannerji, Leader, Nationalist Party in the Assembly, Sir Henry Richardson, Leader of the European group in the Assembly, Raja Govindlal Shivalal Motilal Leader, Congress Party in the Council of State, Mr. Hossain Imam, Leader of the Muslim League Party in the Council of State.

WAVELL'S ASSURANCE ON VETO ISSUE

His Excellency the Viceroy in a broadcast speech to-day on His Majesty's Government's proposals to ease the present political situation in India said:

"I have been authorised by His Majesty's Government to place before Indian political leaders proposals designed to ease the present political situation and to advance India towards her goal of full self-Government. These proposals are, at the present moment, being explained to Parliament by the Secretary of State for India. My intention in this broadcast is to explain to you the proposals, the ideas underlying them and the method by which I hope to put them into effect.

BRITISH GOVT'S REGRET

"This is not an attempt to obtain or impose a constitutional settlement. His Majesty's Government had hoped that the leaders of the Indian parties would agree amongst themselves on a settlement of the communal issue, which is the main stumbling-block, but this hope has not been fulfilled.

NEW EXECUTION

"In the meantime, India has great

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INVITEES' HANDS NOT TIED

H. M. G. Will Accept Agreed Decisions Of Simla Conference

NEW DELHI, June 14 (A.P.I.)—An official spokesman made the following points in reply to questions about the Simla Conference:

There is no present intention of widening its scope or adding to the 21 members to be invited to it.

The Hindu Mahasabha is not being asked to send a representative.

The Conference will discuss the general principles of the statements and the Viceroy's broadcast and if members agree on those general principles and are prepared to co-operate, they will proceed to suggest names for the new Executive Council.

These names can be chosen both from inside and outside the Legislature.

The size of the new Executive Council is not fixed; it will be one of the points to be decided by the Conference.

The Conference will generally decide its own procedure.

The present plan for an Interim Government is not subject to modification; but if the members of the Conference unanimously agreed to put forward a plan for final solution of the Constitutional problem, H. M. G. as already declared by them, will be delighted to accept that solution. H. M. G. have been waiting for it.

If the 21 members of the Conference think there is a better alternative plan to end the political deadlock and are agreed on that alternative, it is open to them to say so.

The intention is to create an atmosphere in which the whole country can go forward and so it is desirable to have harmonious relations between Provincial Governments and the Centre; but constitutionally, the new Central Government can coexist with Provincial Governments in their present form.

Q. If the Conference unfortunately fails, will members of the Working Committee be put back in jail? (Laughter).

Ans. Not immediately, I should think (more laughter).

It is learnt that invitation to the Conference has been handed to Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, Deputy Leader, Muslim League Party in the Assembly, in Delhi.

ANTHONY EDEN IMPROVING

LONDON, June 14, (Reuter): The medical bulletin on the condition of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, says the duodenal ulcer from which he is suffering is responding well to treatment and his general condition is excellent.

Mr Eden was taken ill at the beginning of this month.

Better Outlook For New League Of Nations

WASHINGTON, June 14, (Reuter): President Truman, who will make a speech at the final plenary session of the San Francisco Conference, will fly back to Washington with the new League of Nations Charter for immediate submission to the Senate for ratification.

Trial Of 16 Poles

LONDON, June 14, (Reuter): The Moscow radio stated to-day that Preliminary investigation of the case of the 16 arrested Polish leaders had been completed, and had now been referred to the Supreme Collegium of the Military Tribunal of the U. S. S. R. for examination. Mr. trial will probably take place shortly.

Indian Immigration Bill On Way

WASHINGTON, June 14, (Reuter): The Indian Immigration Bill was approved by the House Immigration Committee by nine votes to six.

Representative Deckstein, the Chairman of the Committee, said: "I am now making all efforts to bring the bill on the floor of the House as soon as possible and get it through in a short time".

Azad To Be Free Today

CALCUTTA, June 14. (A.P.I.) It is authoritatively learnt that the Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, will be released tomorrow morning. Maulana Azad is at present in detention at Bankura.

Provinces Lift Ban

The Governments of Bengal and Bihar have decided to remove their ban on the Congress Working Committee which had been declared unlawful in August 1942.

Daylong Vigil At Yervada Jail Gate

POONA, June 14. (A.P.I.): The Yervada Central Prison gates were crowded throughout to-day in expectation of the release of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Shankarrao Deo, members of the Congress Working Committee, who are lodged there.

Prominent Congressmen from all parts of the Province are now in Poona to give the leaders a reception. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, President of the Bombay Legislative Council, Mr. Nagindas Master, S. K. Patil and Mr. Dahyabhai Patel, son of Sardar Patel, arrived in Poona this evening and were at the jail gates.

However, it became clear later in the evening that [illegible] take place [illegible] Mahatma Gandhi has come here from Panchgani to receive Sardar Patel on behalf of Mahatma Gandhi.

Sardar Patel is expected to proceed to Panchgani to meet Mahatma Gandhi, soon after his release.

C. P. EX-PREMIER RELEASED

(From our Correspondent.)

JUBBULPORE, June 14: Pandit Ravishankar Shukla, ex-Premier of the Central Provinces, detained as a security prisoner since August, 1942 was released unconditionally yesterday evening from the Mandla Jail. He arrived at Jubbulpore by car this noon and is staying at Pandit Dwarka Prasad Mishra's residence. Mr. Misra at present is detained in Mandla Jail.

Tara Singh For Acceptance

LAHORE, June 14. (U.P.I.): A plea to accept the British Government's new offer through Lord Wavell was made by Master Tara Singh, a prominent Akali leader, addressing a Sikh Diwan yesterday.

PICKETING AT PANCHGANI.

BOMBAY, June 14.

The Gen. Secretary, The All-India Anti-Pakistan Front, writes:—

Mr. V. D. Gokhale and Mr. Diwakar Deshpande have started to-day by Poona Express for picketing at Panchgani.

Mr. Thatte in a statement to the Press says:—

"Lord Wavell's scheme will put the Hindus under the subjugation of the Muslims during the continuance of the war and will pave a way for perpetuating this subjugation.

Panchgani Puzzled At Wavell Dropping Pilot

Working Committee To Discuss Proposals On 20th Instant

BOMBAY, June 14. (A. P. I.): Mahatma Gandhi is expected to reach Bombay on Monday, June 18, according to private advices received in Bombay.

In view of the short time left between the release of the members of the Congress Working Committee and the Leaders' Conference at Simla, political observers believe that a meeting of the Working Committee may be held in Bombay round about June 20.

MAHATMA MAKES NO COMMENT

PANCHGANI, June 14 (A.P.I.)—Mahatma Gandhi made no comment, when the substance of the Viceroy's offer was conveyed to him.

It is believed that he [illegible] not say anything till he considers the members of the Congress Working Committee all of whom, it is now certain, will be released tomorrow morning. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Mr. Shankerrao Deo are expected here tomorrow immediately after their release from Yeravda Central Prison.

The Viceroy's broadcast was taken down in shorthand and read out by pressmen to Mahatma Gandhi, as, owing to rain, he was having his evening walk on the verandah of the "Dilkush", his residence in Panchgani. Mr. Pyarelal, Mahatma Gandhi's Secretary, read the Viceroy's speech again to Gandhiji who interrupted Mr. Pyarelal now and then for clarification of certain points in the speech.

RELEASE WELCOME

The announcement contained in the Viceroy's broadcast that orders had been issued for the release of the members of the Congress Working Committee, though not unexpected, is welcomed here, but has provoked no comment.

Though the Viceroy has announced his invitation to members of the 'Ad Hoc' Selection Committee which will meet at Simla on June 25, Mahatma Gandhi had not received the invitation till 10 p.m.

Interviewed on the Viceroy's offer, Dr. Syed Mahmud and Mr. Jairamdas Doulatram, both former members of the Congress Working Committee, said that it was for Mahatma Gandhi to give his comment.

BHULABHAI GETS INVITATION

BOMBAY, June 14 (A.P.I.)—Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, the author of the now famous Desai-Liaquat formula which has been practically translated in the Viceroy's proposals, is, perhaps, the first recipient of the Viceregal invitation for the Leaders' Conference to be held at Simla on June 25.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai had just finished listening in to the Viceroy's broadcast over the Radio when an official of the Bombay Government walked into his house with a long sealed envelope with the Governor's insignia on it. It was the Viceroy's invitation to Mr. Bhulabhai to attend the Leaders' Conference at Simla as the Leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly.

COLVILLE'S HOPE

It is understood, in conveying the Viceroy's invitation to Mr. Desai, His Excellency Sir John Colville, Governor of Bombay, has expressed the hope that he (Mr. Desai) would make it a point to attend the Conference and thus bring about an opportunity for renewing contacts leading to better understanding.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai declined to make any comment on the Viceroy's proposals, as he did not desire to anticipate the verdict of the Congress Working Committee, but he appeared to be supremely pleased with the proposals, particularly in view of the fact that his suggestions had been fully carried out.

JINNAH WANTS TIME TO DIGEST

BOMBAY, June 14, (A. P. I.): Mr. M. A Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, returned to Bombay this evening just before the Viceroy's broadcast.

Mr. Jinnah declined to make any comment on the Viceroy's proposals as he wanted to digest the proposals before he said anything.

NO ROOM FOR AZAD IN WAVELL PLAN?

PANCHGANI, June 14, (U. P. I.): Congress circles here having eagerly listened to the Viceroy's broadcast feel reticent to offer substantial comments, for they believe that the offers contained in the broadcast are such as would demand a close examination by Mahatma Gandhi and the Working Committee.

There is one important reaction available, viz., the omission of Maulana Azad's name in his capacity as the Congress President from the list of invitees to the proposed Conference at Simla. Absence of declaration restoring legality to the Congress organisation has also been felt paradoxical

Bhulabhai Clears Meaning Of Hurdle

BOMBAY, June 14 (A.P.I.)—Lord Wavell's announcement in the course of his broadcast tonight that he had issued orders for the release of the members of the Congress Working Committee still under detention has removed a very vital hurdle in the way of the dispassionate discussion of the proposals by the Congress. Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, the author of the Desai-Liaquat formula, explained tonight that his remark on his return from Panchgani "one hurdle has been crossed" referred to the news he had just received from Delhi that Lord Wavell had decided to release the members of the Congress Working Committee.

He emphasised that the remark did not apply to his discussions with Mahatma Gandhi at Panchgani.

Don't Embarrass Mahatma, Says Kiran Roy

CALCUTTA, June 14. (A. P. I.): "Mahatmaji and the Congress Working Committee should not be embarrassed by premature expression of any opinion by Congressmen", said Mr. Kiran Sankar Roy, leader of the omcial Congress Party in the Bengal Assembly, on the Viceroy's broadcast.

"If necessary and when called upon, we shall place our views before Mahatma Gandhi and the Congress Working Committee. It is too important a matter for us to pass any hasty judgment", he added.

WHITE PAPER ON INDIA

NEW DEAL UNDER OLD ACT

AMERY'S STATEMENT

NEW DELHI, June 14. (A.P.I.): The following is the text of the statement made in Parliament to-day by Mr. Amery, Secretary of State for India:—

"1. During the recent visit of Field Marshal Viscount Wavell to this country His Majesty's Government reviewed with him a number of problems and discussed particularly the present political situation in India.

"2. Members will be aware that since the offer by His Majesty's Government to India in March, 1942, there has been no further progress towards the solution of the Indian constitutional problem.

"3. As was then stated, the working out of India's new constitutional system is a task which can only be carried through by the Indian peoples themselves.

"4. While His Majesty's Government are at all times most anxious to do their utmost to assist the Indians in the working out of a new constitutional settlement, it would be a contradiction in terms to speak of the imposition by this country of self-governing institutions upon an unwilling India.

Such a thing is not possible, nor could we accept the responsibility for enforcing such institutions at the very time when we were, by its purpose, withdrawing from all control of British Indian affairs.

"5. The main constitutional position remains, therefore, as it was. The offer of March, 1942, stands in its entirety without change or qualification. His Majesty's Government still hope that the political leaders in India may be able to come to an agreement as to the procedure whereby India's permanent future form of Government can be determined

"6. His Majesty's Government are, however, most anxious to make any contribution that is practicable to the breaking of the political deadlock in India. While that deadlock lasts not only political but social and economic progress is being hampered.

"7. The Indian administration, over-burdened with the great tasks laid upon it by the war against Japan and by the planning for the post-war period, is further strained by the political tension that exists.

"8. All that is so urgently required to be done for agricultural and industrial development and for the peasants and workers of India cannot be carried through unless the whole-hearted co-operation of every community and section of the Indian people is forthcoming.

"9. His Majesty's Government have, therefore, considered whether there is something which they could suggest in this interim period, under the existing constitution, pending the formulation by Indians of their future constitutional arrangements, which would enable the main communities and parties to co-operate more closely together and with the British to the benefit of the people of India as a whole.

"10. It is not the intention of His Majesty's Government to introduce any change contrary to the wishes of the major Indian communities. But they are willing to make possible some step forward during the interim period if the leaders of the principal Indian parties are prepared to agree to their suggestions and to co-operate in the successful conclusion of the war against Japan as well as in the reconstruction in India which must follow the final victory.

SLIGHT CHANGE IN ACT.

"11. To this end they would be prepared to see an important change in the composition of the Viceroy's Executive. This is possible without making any change in the existing statute law except for one amendment to the Ninth Schedule to the Act of 1935. That Schedule contains a provision that not less than three members of the Executive must have had at least ten years' service under the Crown in India. If the proposals I am about to lay before the House meet with acceptance in India, that clause would have to be amended to dispense with that requirement.

HINDU-MUSLIM PARITY.

"12. It is proposed that the Executive Council should be reconstituted and that the Viceroy should in future make his selection for nomination to the Crown for appointment to his Executive from amongst leaders of Indian political life at the Centre and in the Provinces, in proportions which would give a balanced representation of the main communities, including equal proportions of Muslims and Caste Hindus.

"13. In order to pursue this object, the Viceroy will call into conference a number of leading Indian politicians who are the heads of the most important parties or who have had recent experience as Prime Ministers of Provinces, together with a few others of special experience and authority. The Viceroy intends to put before this conference the proposal that the Executive Council should be reconstituted as above stated and to invite from the members of the conference a list of names. Out of these he would hope to be able to choose the future members whom he would recommend for appointment by His Majesty to the Viceroy's Council, although the responsibility for the recommendations must, of course, continue to rest with him, and his freedom of choice, therefore, remains unrestricted.

WAR EFFORT CONDITION.

"14. The members of his Council who are chosen as a result of this arrangement would, of course, accept the position on the basis that they would whole-heartedly co-operate in supporting and carrying through the war against Japan to its victorious conclusion.

"15. The members of the Executive would be Indians with the exception of the Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief, who would retain his position as War Member. This is essential so long as the defence of India remains a British responsibility.

"16 Nothing contained in any of these proposals will affect the relations of the Crown with the Indian States through the Viceroy as Crown Representative.

INDIANS MUST CO-OPERATE.

"17. The Viceroy has been authorised by His Majesty's Government to place this proposal before the Indian leaders. His Majesty's Government trust that the leaders of the Indian communities will respond. For the success of such a plan must depend upon its acceptance in India and the degree to which responsible Indian politicians are prepared to co-operate with the object of making it a workable interim arrangement. In the absence of such general acceptance existing arrangements must necessarily continue.

COALITIONS IN PROVINCES.

"18. If such co-operation can be achieved at the Centre it will no doubt be reflected in the Provinces and so enable responsible Governments to be set up once again in those provinces where owing to the withdrawal of the majority Party from participation, it became necessary to put into force the powers of the Governors under Sec. 93 of the Act of 1935.

It is to be hoped that in all the Provinces these Governments would be based on the participation of the main parties, thus smoothing up communal differences and allowing Ministers to concentrate upon their very heavy administrative tasks.

"19. There is one further change which, if these proposals are accepted, His Majesty's Government suggest should follow.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

"20. That is, that External Affairs (other than those tribal and frontier matters which fall to be dealt with as part of the Defence of India) should be placed in the charge of an Indian member of the Viceroy's Executive so far as British India is concerned, and that fully accredited representatives shall be appointed for the representation of India abroad.

"21. By their acceptance of and co-operation in this scheme the Indian leaders will not only be able to make their immediate contribution to the direction of Indian affairs, but it is also to be hoped that their experience of co-operation in Government will expedite agreement between them as to the method of working out the new constitutional arrangements.

WITHIN PRESENT CONSTITUTION.

"22. His Majesty's Government consider, after the most careful study of the question, that the plan now suggested gives the utmost progress practicable within the present constitution.

None of the changes suggested will in any way prejudice or prejudge the essential form of the future permanent constitution or constitutions for India.

"23. His Majesty's Government feel certain that given goodwill and a genuine desire to co-operate on all sides, both British and Indian, these proposals can mark a genuine step forward in the collaboration of the British and Indian peoples towards Indian self-Government and can assert the rightful position, and strengthen the influence, of India in the counsels of the nations"

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Zukowski Does Not Accept Invitation Owing To Attitude Of His Party

LONDON, June 14 (Reuter): Shortly after President Truman in Washington described the prospects of tomorrow's Polish talks in Moscow as bright, one of the three Polish democratic leaders from Britain, Julian Zukowski announced in London last night that he could not accept the invitation owing to the attitude of his party.

The other two Polish leaders in Britain—M. Mikolajczyk, former Premier and M. Jan Stanczyk, Trade Union leader have made no statement so far.

The London Polish Government, recognised by both Britain and America, would not be represented at the Moscow talks, but President Truman said that arrangements were being made for all factions to get together and work out a free Government satisfactory to all.

The Polish Ministry of Information in London has issued what they stated to be the text of letters addressed by the Russian Colonel Pimienov to the Delegate of the Polish Government in London, Jankowski and to the Commander of the Polish Home Army, General Okulicki (two of 16 Poles arrested by the Russian authorities on charges of sabotage) inviting them to the conference with the Soviet General Ivanov.

In it Col. Pimienov said, according to the Polish Information Ministry, "I am of the opinion that this meeting between you and General Ivanov may and should settle matters, which it is altogether doubtful whether they can be settled quickly in any other way.

"On my part as an officer of the Red Army, who has been entrusted with such a greatly important mission, I guarantee to you under my word as an officer that from the moment your fate will be in my hands, you will be absolutely safe."

The letter, stated to have been sent to General Okulicki, was headed "strictly personal, by hand" and was in almost identical terms.

"IT'S UNNECESSARY FOR RUSSIA AND CHINA TO PARTICIPATE"

De Gaulle's Decision To Visit Truman Hailed In France

LONDON, June 14 (Reuter): The announcement that General de Gaulle is going to America to meet President Truman shortly at the latter's request is hailed by Frenchmen as providing a ray of hope in the otherwise gloomy Levant situation, cables Reuter's special correspondent.

The President's note pointed out the inconveniences involved in the French proposal for five-power conference on Middle East questions but stressed that he would be happy to discuss with General de Gaulle at an early date not only the Syrian question but also any other problem interesting France and America.

In Damascus the Syrian President Shukri Kuwatly Bey told a Press Conference that his Government had requested Britain and the United States to call a conference to take a decision on the Levant States as soon as possible with or without France being present.

He dismissed the Five-power conference idea by saying: "We do not believe it necessary for Russia and China to take part in Levant talks."

Kuwatly Bey gave the latest estimates of Syrian casualties as 800 killed and 2,500 wounded, 600 of them seriously.

The Syrian President expressed gratefulness to Britain and America for "saving us from further brutalities and execution of still greater plans on the part of the French."

The gloom in Paris is based on the reported "systematic evacuation" of French citizens from Syria by the British military authorities.

As long as no explanation is forthcoming from the British Government the belief in Britain's mood of faith and disinterestedness in the Syrian affair is being rapidly undermined in all classes of Frenchmen.

The demand that Syria and the Lebanon should be represented at the British proposed three-power conference on the Levant, from the very beginning, was made by M. Camille Chamoun, the Lebanese Minister in London, at a Press Conference today on his return from Beirut.

The French proposal for a five-power conference, he said, would not alter their stand which was "complete independence without any reservations to be realised effectively and without delay."

M. Chamoun declared that British intervention after the French action at Damascus was just in time to prevent a general reaction in Arab countries, the effect of which might have been incalculable.

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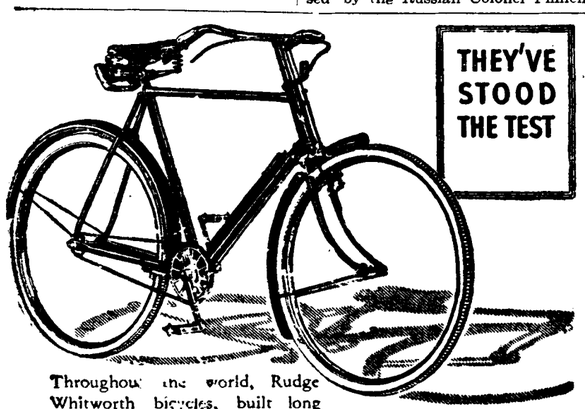

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Name Soviet A Source Of Inspiration, Says Sind League President

Mr. G. M. Sayed, President Sind Provincial Muslim League, welcoming the first conference of the Friends of the Soviet Union, Bombay, to be held on the 22nd and 23rd inst. at the Cowasji Jehangir Hall says:

"The very name Soviet is a source of inspiration to the down-trodden masses and a symbol of social justice and economic equities. For Muslims its work has special attraction—in that they are followers of a system of economics devised by Islam which, in its broader outlines is in close harmony with the economic ideals of the Soviet order of things. I wish the conference every success."

King And Queen To Visit Indian Ex-Prisoners' Camp

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Reuter learned today that the King and Queen will pay a special visit to the convalescent camp for returned Indian prisoners of war at Thetford, Norfolk, on Saturday next.

The King and Queen will make a complete tour of the camp, inspecting conditions and arrangements for the men who will remain there until they are repatriated to India, and they will meet and talk to the men individually.

Starters For Coventry Stakes

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The eight probable starters and jockeys for Coventry Stakes are: SCARLET EMPEROR (Flane), SKYHIGH (Harry Wragg), WOODWIND (Tom Carey), LINCOLINIMP (Eph Smith), KHALED (Gordon Richards), BAILEY-ZRIDGE (M. Beary), KINGSTANDING (No Jockey), and MICK THE MILLER (Cliff Richards).

GERMAN ROCKET WOULD HAVE MENACED U. S.

Scientists Could Not Go Beyond Blueprint Stage

FRANKFURT, June 13 (Reuter):—German scientists at the close of the European war were on the verge of solving problems relating to mass production of V-2 rocket bombs with a pin point bombing range of 3,000 miles, the zone headquarters reported here to-day, cables Marshal Yarrow, Reuter's Special Correspondent.

Within six months after V-Day they would have been able to turn out numbers large enough to neutralise the advantage that aircraft superiority had given the Allies, it was stated.

Allied Intelligence experts base their findings upon their survey of a big rocket assembly plant near Nordhausen in the Harz mountains, and upon conversations with German scientists taken prisoner.

The experts have investigated numerous devices to increase rocket range and accuracy, which were much in evidence around the factory.

Major William Bromley said: "That raid on the experimental plant at Peenemunde by British planes (in August 1943) set the scientists back six months in their experiments.

The Germans admitted that it caused great damage to installations and killed 800 of their best authorities on V weapons. That raid was a 'lifesaver' for us.

"A 3,000-mile-rocket was evidently a threat to American cities, but owing to the Peenemunde setback they never got beyond the blueprint stage."

Major Bromley said that the Germans felt that in two year's time they could have developed the rocket to shoot from the British isles 15,000 miles to Japan—but they admitted that this was strictly theoretical.

The Nordhausen factory is 800 feet from the surface in the side of a limestone mountain, and is reputed to be the largest underground factory in the world.

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To-day's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURYMEN.

Special Jurors' attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

MILK PROBLEM: Under the auspices of the Muslim Social Workers' Group, Bombay, a meeting will be held at 66, Ali Umer St., Mistry Mohalla, to-day (Friday), at 6 p.m., to discuss the milk problem. Mr. Ibrahim Haji Mohamed Mistry will explain the situation. Mr. Habib I. Rahimtulla, president of the Bombay Muslim Chamber of Commerce, will preside. It is open only to members and their guests.

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Members and their guests are invited to a meeting of the Group at Green's to-day (Friday), at 6 p.m., when Mr. Amritlal D. Sheth will speak on "My Experience on the San Francisco Conference".

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION: Students not receiving admission in city colleges are requested to give their names at the office of the Union (42, Kennedy Bridge), between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., daily. We need this information just to present it to the University and other authorities.

MISS PADMAJA NAIDU HONOURED: Among the persons to whom First Class Sanads were conferred on the occasion of H. E. H. the Nizam's birthday, which occurred last week, is Miss Padmaja Naidu, daughter of Major M G. Naidu and Mrs. Sarojini Naidu.

M. COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 10 (Walkeshwar, Manalaxmi) will meet near the Kemp Corner to-morrow (Saturday), at 8.30 a.m. (S. T.), to go round the ward. Residents who have any difficulties to bring to light, are invited to be present at the appointed place and time.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' FEDERATION: A public meeting will be held at the Federation Hall, J. J. Hospital, to-day (Friday), at 6-30 p.m., when Mr. Daaniel Latifi will speak on "Muslim League and Punjab Politics."

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class Text Books: "Echoes from the Orient" by W. Q. Judge, 6.15 p.m., to-day, at Jehangir Wadia Building.

HISTORY OF THE INDIAN PEOPLE

Sir Jadunath Sarkar's Appeal

Sir Jadunath Sarkar in course of an appeal states:

"A New History of the Indian People, containing the fruits of the latest research and written by India's own sons in a popular style and priced so low as to be within the reach of all of our countrymen, was planned by Babu Rajendra Prasad and Sir Jadunath Sarkar in 1938 as a much needed national undertaking. For carrying the work out a society named the Bharatiya Itihas Parishad was registered at Benares and steps taken to distribute the chapters among suitable scholars. Owing to the war and the dispersion of scholars and libraries, four years were lost. But now two most important and interesting volumes are ready for the press and a third is half complete. The complete volumes on the Maurya and Gupta Ages have reached my hands in manuscript, and the press has agreed to finish printing them before the end of October next. The Gupta volume has been edited by Dr. R. C. Majumdar and Dr. A. S. Altekar, and the Maurya volume by Profs. Nilakanta Sastri and Dr. H. G. Roychaudhuri. The volume on Akbar is in my own hands and I hope to finish its press copy four months after actually starting the printing of the other two volumes. Thus it is hoped that, unless something unexpected happens, we shall see two volumes (the Mauryas and the Guptas) offered to the public in November, 1945 and a third volume (Akbar) handed over to the printers in time to come out in May, 1946.

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TO-DAY ON RADIO

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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—6.0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 Panditrao Nagarkar 8.45 Birendra Kishore (Clarionet). 8-50 News (M). 9.0 News (G). 9-10 To morrow 9-15 Geet. 9.30 Ganpatrao Mohite.

12-30 Marathi Songs. 12.45 News (M) 12-50 News (G). 12 55 News (H). 1.0 Naats and Qawwalies. 1.30 News (E) 1-40 Music 4.20 Teachers' Broadcast (E). 5.0 Sardar Mansur. 5-15 Ravi Shankar (Sitar). 5-45 Topical Talk. 5 55 Locals 6-0 Vali Mohammad. 6-15 Sunie Prabht' 6-30 News (E) 6-40 News (H) 6-45 Matters of Moment. 6-50 Sardar Mansur 7-0 Industry To morrow (M). 7-15 Panditrao Nagarkar 7-45 Music from Film. 8-0 Vali Mohammad 8-15 News (M). 8-30 News (G). 8-45 AIR Orchestra. 9.0 News (H) 9-20 News (E) 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9-45 World Affairs (E) 10-0 Ganpatrao Mohite. 10-30 Panditrao Nagarkar.

MAYOR ON CITY FATHER'S TASKS

Addresses First Meeting After Summer Recess

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Addressing the first meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation after the summer recess, the Mayor predicted that the next 9 1/2 months would be a period "replete with the heaviest of responsibilities" for the Corporation. He mentioned the following problems and commitments before the City Fathers:—

Slum clearance as a material aid to the solution of the tuberculosis problem: the taking over of the B.E.S.T.: the beggar problem; the Bhivpuri scheme which has already secured the administrative sanction of the Corporation: Government's post-war Reconstruction scheme; and the Greater Bombay Scheme which may come up for consideration of the Corporation in the near future.

The Mayor appealed to the members to extend to him their sincere co-operation in facing these problems and undertaking the commitments.

The Corporation adopted the following resolution moved by Mr. Mancherji E. Joshi and seconded by Mr. K. H. Goregaonkar:

"The Corporation views with grave concern the attitude of Government in the matter of releasing building materials required for even temporary structures for housing tenants who have been residents of the city for a number of years and who have been dishoused as a result of their premises being requisitioned either by Government or landlords."

The Corporation urged the Mayor in this connection to move the Government in securing relief for affected tenants by prompt release of building materials.

The Corporation adjourned till Monday.

Milk Requisitioning Case

Petition Allowed To Be Amended

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhagwati)

Nariman Ardeshir, proprietor of the Parsi Dairy Farm ... Petitioner.
v.
Dr. T. G. Shirnane, Additional Director of Civil Supplies ... Respondent.

At the resumed hearing of the petition for a 'Writ' prohibiting the respondent from enforcing the order signed by him directing the petitioner to sell 80 maunds of milk daily to the Municipal authorities for distribution under the subsidised milk scheme, among children and expectant and nursing mothers, Mr. Desai urged that the petition may be allowed to be amended in terms which he proposed by adding the Province of Bombay, the Municipal Commissioner and Special Officer (Milk) as respondents.

Mr. Desai's argument was that in case the order in question was declared to be illegal the 3rd and 4th proposed respondents should be prevented from benefiting by the order. He further argued that they holding their offices by virtue of statute (viz., the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888) which should not be allowed to do something which was not allowed by the statute which created their offices.

The Advocate-General opposing the application for amendment said that the application was not "bona fide" and could not be sustained because the petition against Dr. Shirnane would, in the absence of amendment, fail. He also opposed it on the ground that a new case was sought to be introduced at a later stage of the proceedings.

His Lordship granted leave to amend the petition as asked for and observed that the primary considerations that weighed with him were the following, viz., (1) that the right of the subject to sell a particular commodity was being infringed and (2) in substance the Government of Bombay was defending the action, though Dr. Shirnane was the nominal respondent, and that no technicalities should be allowed to stand in the way of the petitioner.

Mr. B. J. Desai and Mr. M. P. Amin instructed by Messrs. Gandhy & Co., appeared for the petitioner.

The Advocate-General Mr. C. K. Daphtary instructed by Messrs. Little & Co. appeared for the respondent.

CO-OPERATIVE SCHOOL FOR BOMBAY

The Provincial Co-operative Institute, Bombay has decided to open a school (evening classes) located in the premises of the Institute, Sir Vithaldas Thackersey Memorial Building, 9, Bakehouse Lane, Fort, to prepare candidates for the Co operative Diploma Examination.

The course will be spread over two terms from 15th July to 15th October, and from 15th November to 15th March, respectively, and the Co-operative Diploma Examination will be held some time in April. The minimum qualification for admission is passing the Matriculation examination.

Rationing Of Imported Spirits

The office of the Controller General of Civil Supplies Government of India, Bombay, writes:—

"An announcement has appeared in several newspapers that all kinds of wines, whiskies, gins and beer will be rationed in Bombay, Karachi and Calcutta from the 1st of July, 1945, and will be sold against ration-cards and permits issued by the Assistant Controllers General of Civil Supplies of the respective areas. This is not correct, inasmuch as ration cards in Bombay will be issued by wine merchants themselves only for imported whiskies, imported gins and imported beers, and not by the Civil Supplies Authorities. It is possible that a similar system of rationing as that contemplated in Bombay, may be introduced in Karachi and Calcutta at some suitable date."

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WIDESPREAD RAIN IN KONKAN

Gujarat And Bombay Deccan Get A Few Showers

POONA, June 14. (A. P. I.): The following is the weather summary for Thursday, June 14, 1945:—

The monsoon is generally moderate to strong in the east central Arabian Sea. Widespread rain has occurred in the Konkan, and local rain in Assam, Bengal and Malabar. A few showers have occurred in Gujarat and the Bombay Deccan.

Day temperatures are generally above the normal in the belt from the North-West Frontier to the North Madras Coast and markedly so in the central parts of the country.

Heavy rainfall warning:—Locally moderate to heavy rain will occur in and near East Bengal during the next 48 hours.

Weather Chart

POONA, June 14. (A. P. I.): The following is the weather-chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, total rainfall since January, 1945, and departure from the normal recorded at 9 a.m. (I. S. T.), on June 14, 1945:—

Ahmedabad 110 88 0 2.0 minus 1.6, Allahabad 110 86 0 2.0 minus 1.6, Amraoti 109 82 0 1.6 minus 2.9, Bangalore 83 69 0 4.6 minus 8.9, Baroda 104 85 0 0.5 nil, BOMBAY 89 79 0.2 2.6 minus 4.3, Calcutta 93 83 0 9.7 minus 4.3, Cawnpore 110 88 0 0.8 minus 2.0, Darjeeling nil nil nil nil, Dehra Dun 103 81 0 9.9 plus 0.2, Delhi 115 81 0 1.5 minus 2.3, Hyderabad (Dn) 95 78 0 1.8 minus 3.1, Jacobabad 115 83 0 0.2 minus 0.9, Karachi 91 85 0 2.1 plus 0.5, Lahore 113 72 0 7.4 plus 3.2, Lucknow 109 86 0 1.9 minus 1.6, Mahableshwar 68 63 2.4 9.3 minus 4.8, Mussoorie 86 63 0 5.5 minus 9.0, Nagpur 112 86 0 2.5 minus 3.6, Ootacamund 69 53 0 3.7 minus 1.25, Patna 103 83 0 5.4 plus 0.7, Pachamarhi 103 81 0 1.2 minus 3.1, Peshawar 110 78 0 4.9 minus 3.2, Poona 88 74 0 2.1 minus 1.9, Simla 82 68 0.1 12.7 minus 0.7.

City Weather Chart

BOMBAY, June 14. (A. P. I.): The maximum temperature recorded during 24 hours ending 09-00 hours to-day by the Colaba Observatory was 88.7; the minimum temperature 76.5 and rainfall 0.21 cents. The total rainfall so far was 1.79 inches.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A statesman thinks he belongs to the nation, but a politician knows the nation belongs to him.

—Banking.

The Bombay Chronicle

WEIGH WELL

We have read and considered Lord Wavell's proposals for the immediate reconstitution of the Government of India with all the seriousness the occasion demands, and we regret that the proposals are in several respects extremely disappointing. They will have to be appreciably improved particularly in practice, before they can serve the purpose intended to be served or satisfy the country as a whole. They are, in fact, worse than the Cripps proposals which were rejected three years ago by almost all the responsible parties in the country. In the first place there is no definite assurance here as there was in the Cripps proposals, that immediately after the war a constitution framed by Indians on the basis of complete self-Government, inside or outside the Empire, would be accepted or implemented forthwith by British Government. The new announcement doubtless refers to full self-Government as the goal. But there is neither a time limit nor an assurance of independence outside the Empire if Indians so desired. But Mr. Amery's statement in Parliament says: "The offer of March 1942 stands in its entirety without change or qualification". Let us hope that there is no snag or reservation in this statement.

It is clear that Lord Wavell's proposals are meant only to affect the war-time Government of India leaving the future plans to be considered later. Even then the proposals fall short of the Cripps scheme as modified by the British Government in the light of the negotiations between the Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, and Sir Stafford Cripps. The new proposals provide that the Viceroy's Council should be composed of representative Indians except that, besides the Viceroy the Commander-in-Chief will retain his seat as War Member. Under the Cripps scheme modified as suggested above, an Indian representative member was to be added to the Viceroy's Executive "who would take over those sections of the Department of Defence which can organisationally be separated immediately from the Commander-in-Chief's War Department". "In addition this member would take over the Defence Co-ordination Department which is at present directly under the Viceroy and certain other important functions of the Government of India which are directly related to Defence and which do not fall under any of the other existing departments". Under the present scheme, however, there is to be no Indian Defence member at all.

Disappointing as are the proposals about the transfer of portfolios to Indians we must realise that much more depends upon the power transferred to them. And that, as we suggested on Monday last depends most on the exercise of the veto by the Viceroy. We then remarked: "If Sir Stafford Cripps had not returned precipitately and in a huff as soon as the question of veto came up for discussion, there was a fair possibility of some understanding being arrived at. If the offer was made otherwise acceptable but the assurance about the veto was vague even then there was a possibility of the scheme being given a trial on the condition that one or more parties would resign if they were dissatisfied with the exercise of the veto". The Viceroy has now given an assurance that the veto will not be used "unreasonably". The assurance is doubtless somewhat vague but it will not do in politics to ignore it, so long at any rate as we all assume that at present or till Indians prepare the final constitution the present constitution is to function, except for a small technical change about the personnel of the Viceroy's Council. The Viceroy's assurance, therefore, may well be put to a test. It is also encouraging to find in Mr. Amery's statement that in the event of a settlement on the basis of the new proposals only "fully accredited representatives shall be appointed for the representation of India abroad". This will be a great advantage to India at the various peace conferences that will be held in the near future. We must also appreciate Government's goodwill in releasing Congress leaders. All things considered, therefore, we feel that the new proposals, whose success will depend most on the way they are worked in practice, should not be summarily rejected but should be weighed well having regard to the realities of the situation. We have no doubt the Working Committee of the Congress will give them careful consideration. As we have said before much depends upon how Lord Wavell will act up to his assurance that he will not use his veto unreasonably. The more he voluntarily assumes the position of a constitutional ruler, the better for his scheme, for India and for Britain. Let us hope he will play the game scrupulously.

Frankly Speaking

Admirable Fight

We sympathise with those countries who fought at San Francisco the battle of the Veto. Their efforts deserve admiration. But while they have lost they have the satisfaction that through their opposition they brought to world attention the moral issue that was being suppressed. Even as a record of failure it has had and will yet have its uses. The Big Five formula was, of course, assured of success. And its success is welcome in the sense that otherwise the proposed organisation itself would have been destroyed. In the ultimate analysis, peace, as Mr. Stettinius pointed out, is at the mercy of the Big Powers. If they disagree there is war. But the disappointing thing is that Big Powers should reserve for each of themselves the unilateral right to override the obligations of peace. Moreover, a small country can have no hope of justice if it has the misfortune of coming under the displeasure or designs of any Big Power.

New Line

The new line in Japanese propaganda has been duly noted by those who have been carefully following the Tokio Radio. As has been pointed out there is a striking similarity to that of the German Radio during the last days of the war. The Japs now talk of "resistance" rather than winning the war. And they will resist by fighting "unflinchingly, unshakably and exacting the greatest possible toll" of the Allies. Nothing would be more welcome than that the similarity should be carried to "unconditional surrender." But in the meantime one thing is grimly clear. The Japanese have amply proved by the fighting during the last three years that so long as their Government does not yield, they will fight "unflinchingly, unshakably and exacting the greatest possible toll" of the Allies in a very bitter and very literal sense.

"Big Three" Meeting

A date, according to President Truman's announcement, has been decided upon for the meeting of the "Big Three," although the President declined to reveal the time or place of that fateful meeting. For, it will certainly be fateful. Events at San Francisco and in Europe, during the last few months and quarrels through the press and the radio had shown the serious extent to which inter-allied relations had deteriorated That deterioration has only just been arrested and an atmosphere recreated conducive to encouraging hopes of the restoration and establishment of understanding and friendship among the Big Allies. President Truman's tributes to his personal envoys Messrs. Hopkins and Davis serve to show that the whole trouble arises fundamentally from distrust and lack of confidence particularly as between Britain and Russia. According to the 'New York Times' the Big Three meeting will be held in Vienna after the British General Elections. If Labour is returned to power the psychological difficulties will, it may be hoped, largely removed.

Churchill's Attitude

But if the Tories win there will be danger of still more troubles. During the days of the war in Europe Mr. Churchill was more or less of a success as an international statesman. According to most reports he had managed to outlive his anti-Communist past and won the goodwill of Marshal Stalin. It is certainly to Mr. Churchill's credit that he drastically overcame Tory hostility to Russia and stood by the Soviet Union wholeheartedly, beginning admirably with the statesmanlike and historic broadcast which he made within a few hours of the German attack on Russia. But ever since the tide turned against Nazi Germany Mr. Churchill has been changing progressively. The process of reversion to true Tory type was complete when he broadcast recently an unbridled and outrageous electioneering attack on Socialism and the Labour Party. He has since then broadcast again, which, however, does not improve matters. Mr. Winston Churchill will have to do much in speech and action before he can reasonably hope for a restoration of confidence and good relations between Russia and Britain, on which depends so largely the future of Europe and the world.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

If a man wastes time he robs himself.

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Love is blind—and the homely girl is glad of it.

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People are seldom on time; they are either early or late.

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The man who pays as he goes seldom gets beyond the speed limit.

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Man's capacity for suffering increases as he becomes civilized.

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Many a widow gets busy and marries a man because he doesn't want her to.

Tandon's Plan For "Compact Congress"

Mahatma For Abolition Of Four-Anna Membership, He Says In Letter To Gidwani

KARACHI, June 14. (A.P.I.): It is understood that Babu Purshotamdas Tandon, speaker of the U. P. Legislative Assembly, has sent to Dr. Choithram Gidwani, President of the Sind Provincial Congress Committee, his scheme for strengthening the Congress.

It is stated that Mr. Tandon has already discussed with Mahatma Gandhi, the scheme which seeks to make the Congress a compact body and to bring about closer unity within its ranks.

It also seeks to restrict the franchise for elections in the Congress itself to those who are its active members only.

Babu Purshotamdas adds that Mahatma Gandhi had suggested to do away with the four-anna membership of Congress. But this is necessary for contacting the masses, says Babu Purshotamdas.

Ban On Mysore State Congress Procession

BANGALORE, June 14. (A.P.I.): The District Magistrate of Tumkur (about 40 miles from Bangalore) has under the Mysore Police Act prohibited the presidential procession in connection with the special session of the Mysore State Congress which is scheduled to be held at Tumkur on June 16 and 17, according to a message received here.

Mr. K. T. Bhashyam, a former president of the Mysore State Congress, in a statement says that this action of the authorities has created much resentment in Congress circles and the public, particularly in view of the very friendly attitude which the Congress has of late been taking towards the Government.

Rajaji's Plea For Clemency To Patnam Case Accused

MADRAS, June 13. (A.P.I.): Mr. C. R. Rajagopalachari has addressed a further communication by telegram on the Kulasekharapatnam case, asking his Excellency Lord Wavell to consider the question of clemency on the special ground that there was no plan to cause the death of any person and that therefore the death sentences might be commuted.

Mr. Rajagopalachari has drawn the Viceroy's attention to a recent privy council judgment, laying down a strict rule that constructive liability for murder can lie only where a deliberate plan to murder is provided.

A. I. C. C. MEMBER RELEASED.

NAGPUR, June 14. (A.P.I.): Mr. N. B. Neral of Chanda, member of the All-India Congress Committee, who was arrested at Malkapur on August 11, 1942, has been released unconditionally.

"Soiled Piece Of Stage Furniture"

LONDON, June 14. (U.P.A.): Labourite Reginald Sorensen, commenting on the White Paper, said that debating the India issue on the day before the last sitting of the House "just saves the India question from being like an overworked, soiled piece of stage furniture backstage on the election platform."

HEIL HITLER AGAIN!

TEGERNSEE, BAVARIAN ALPS June 13. (Reuter): "Heil Hitler" is beginning to appear again on the walls of buildings in the Reich. Cables Seaghan Maynes, Reuter's special correspondent. It is the work of were-wolves, who are becoming bolder.

The latest indication of their activity is notices which have appeared on walls in a number of towns calling Germans to resistance.

At Rottenburg, 50 miles north-east of Munich, typewritten notices have appeared on buildings with such inscriptions as "long live the Fuehrer" "young Nazis awake" and "long live greater Germany".

Trafficking in small arms among civilians is reported and two people have already been arrested for possessing and selling ammunition and high explosives.

A train carrying liberated Russian slave labourers was fired on and one Russian was wounded.

SHINWELL'S HIT AT MONOPOLISTS

LONDON, June 13. (Reuter): In a debate on monopolies in the House of Commons to-night, Mr. Emmanuel Shinwell declared that British Industry was controlled by a Tory clique' and that the culprits responsible for the creation of monopolies trusts and cartels were here in Britain. He cited Mr. Oliver Lyttleton Sir Andrew Duncan, Lord Leathers and Lord Woolton to prove his assertion that these vicious interests had infiltrated into the British Government, and asked whether it was likely that the said Ministers would act against the interests of the monopolies.

Mr. Oliver Lyttleton, in his reply, condemned cartels but stated that some restrictive practices were essential to prevent overflooding of markets and unemployment.

NEW PERSIAN CABINET

TEHERAN, June 13. (Reuter): Munsin Sadr, former Minister of Justice, to-day presented to the Shah the list of the names of the new Government which he is to lead.

In addition to the premiership, Sadr will hold the Ministry of Interior. The Foreign Affairs portfolio remains in hands of Anushirawan Sepahbodi.

Other members of the cabinet are: Justice-Amanullah Ardalan; Finance-Dahmud Badir; Industry and Commerce-Guishayan; War-Ibrahim Zand (which post he held in the previous Government); Health—Dr. Said Malik; Agriculture—Dr. Nakhai; Roads and Communications—Nadir Arasteh; (same as in previous Government); Education—Rahnamah.

Naar-ul-Mulk Hedayat and Mustafa Adl are ministers without portfolio.

The previous cabinet led by Dr. Ebrahim Hakimi resigned on June 4.

Yuvaraj Of Miraj (Sr.) Passes B. A.

The Yuvaraj Saheb of Miraj (Sr.) Shrimant Madhavrao Narayanrao alias Rao Saheb Patwardhan has come out successful this year in the B. A. Examination of the Bombay University. It is noteworthy that both the son Shrimant Rao Saheb and the daughter, Shrimant Rajkumari Mangalaraje alias Taisaheb of the present ruler, Shrimant Tatyasaheb Patwardhan, have obtained University degree qualifications.

SIND SCHEDULED CASTES' DEMAND.

KARACHI, June 14. (A.P.I.): The Sind Provincial Scheduled Castes Federation has sent the following telegram to the Viceroy to-day. "The Sind Scheduled Castes resent the Wavell plan. Scheduled Castes must get at least three seats on the Viceroy's Executive Council according to population".

DECIMAL COINAGE

Government's Proposal Unless Suitably Modified To Suit Indian Conditions Is Likely To Engender Profiteering And Hit The Poor

By K. G. Mashruwalla

The present system, which divides the rupee into 1/4th, 1/16th and 1/64ths has its own advantages. To the small dealer and book-keeper and to simple bazar-going people, it is an easier system than the pure decimal (or rather centimal) system. The Indian system of measurements is a 'chauthai' (quarter) 'cum' decimal system, more or less. Thus the 'chhatak' is a sixteenth part of a seer, which itself is 1/40th of a maund; the wal is 1/32th of a total and so on. But the system is by no means consistently applied and is convenient only upto a certain stage. After a point, a change to the decimal measurement becomes unavoidable. So, in the long run, I accept the desirability of adopting a decimal system of measurements all round, including coinage.

But, the way in which it is proposed to be done in the currency system needs examination. I understand that the idea is to retain the rupee as it is, but instead of dividing it into 64 pice as at present, it is to be divided into 100 cents. This method, during the period of transition when both types of coins will be freely allowed, will work against the interest of the consumer. Unless he possesses the exact change, he will almost always be obliged to pay more than the right price. I shall explain this by an illustration. Suppose the railway fare between two places is 3 1/2 annas. Very probably the revised fare will be 22 cents as the nearest equipment of 3 1/2 as. But, to be exact, 22 cents is 1/8th of a cent more than 3 1/2 as., so that a sale of 100 tickets will bring to the railway management Rs. 12 1/2 more than according to the old rate. But this is not all. Suppose the purchaser happens to possess mixed change and has, say, 10 pice and 10 cents. The nearest approach to 22 cents will be 9 pice and 8 cents. But, more probably, the purchaser will resort to rough calculation and pay 8 pice and 10 cents. In either case, he will have to pay more than 22 cents, which itself, as I said, is more than 3 1/2 as. This is only one of the combinations of pice and cents, and assumes the readiness of the booking clerk to enter into calculations of mixed change. The greater likelihood is that he will ask for all cents or all pice, and will not accept mixed change. Similarly, the 3 pice post card will probably be priced at 5 cents (thus making it costlier by about a quarter cent), and in practice may have to be purchased for 2 pice and 2 cents or 1 pice and 4 cents, if the purchaser does not have all cents. The same method will be adopted by retail dealers all over the country. Without seeming to raise the prices, every transaction involving payment of mixed change will, in practice, bring greater returns to the dealer. The consumer will be drained of his savings and petty cash in an unnoticed manner, while the seller's profit, through differences of change, might at the close of the year run into hundreds.

Such profiteering must not be made possible.

SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE.

I suggest another way of going to the decimal system. The pie coin should be discontinued. Half-pice should be the smallest coin current. Let it be your cent. A pice is therefore 2 cents. Let a new silver coin, having the value of 12 1/2 as. or 100 cents, be introduced to take, in course of time, the place of the rupee. It should bear a new name and be full legal tender. Provisionally I shall call it "khuraq", Subsidiary silver coins of a quarter and half "khuraqs" (25 and 50 cents respectively) should take the place of 1/4 and 1/2 rupee coins. Token coins of 1/2, 1 and 2 as. might be retained as equivalents of 4, 8 and 16 cents respectively, or they might be replaced by coins of 5, 10 and 20 cents. If the "khuraq" is made to weigh 144 grains, 100 "khuraqs" will make a seer (80 tolas), thus bringing the Indian weight measure also under the decimal system. A double coin of 200 cents may also be made available.

In course of time the rupee will disappear. But during the period of transition, the new coins will create no difficulties of mathematical calculations or exact payment in mixed change, as each old coin (except the pie) will be a perfect multiple of the cent of my suggestion. The cent proposed by the Government being equal to, roughly, 3/5ths of a pice, it involves fractional calculations far beyond the capacity of the ordinary man. He will be deceived both in receiving and making payments, and his needy situation will be fully exploited. It will put an additional instrument of harassment into the hands of the profiteer and the not too civil and ready-to-serve "civil servant". The change is not so simple and harmless as it appears at first sight.

WHERE BIG THREE WILL MEET

Berlin To Be Venue 'In All Probability'

LONDON, June 14. (Reuter): The "Evening Standard" today states that Berlin "in all probability" will be the meeting place of the forthcoming "Big Three" conference.

"The date and the place of the conference have now been definitely fixed, but they have not been officially announced yet", the paper adds.

This report that Berlin will be the scene of the meeting has not been confirmed by official quarters here.

Churchill Invites Attlee

LONDON, June 14. (Reuter): Mr. Churchill announced in the House of Commons to-day that he had invited Mr. Clement Attlee, the Leader of the Opposition, to come with the British delegation when the "Big Three" met and that the meeting would take place sometime before the results of the pending General Election, including receipt of soldiers' vote from abroad, had been announced.

Where Is Amery's Son

BRUSSELS, June 14. (Reuter): William Joyce is still in a British military prison in Brussels.

Although their identity is kept secret, unconfirmed reports say Norman Baillie Stewart, former "officer in tower" and John Amery, son of the Secretary of State for India, are also there at present.

Reuter adds that nothing has been heard of Amery since he was interviewed in a gaol in Milan on May 1.

WAVELL PLAN TO END INDIAN DEAD-LOCK

(Continued from page 1)

opportunities to be taken and great problems to be solved, which require a common effort by the leading men of all parties. I therefore propose, with the full support of His Majesty's Government, to invite Indian leaders both of Central and Provincial politics to take counsel with me with a view to the formation of a new Executive Council more representative of organised political opinion. The proposed new Council would represent the main communities and would include equal proportions of caste Hindus and Muslims. It would work, if formed, under the existing constitution. But it would be an entirely Indian Council, except for the Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief, who would retain his position as War Member. It is also proposed that the portfolio of External Affairs, which has hitherto been held by the Viceroy, should be placed in charge of an Indian Member of the Council, so far as the interests of British India are concerned.

BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER IN INDIA

"A further step proposed by His Majesty's Government is the appointment of a British High Commissioner in India, as in the Dominions, to represent Great Britain's commercial and other such interests in India.

"Such a new Executive Council will, you realise, represent a definite advance on the road to self-government. It will be almost entirely Indian, and the Finance and Home Members will, for the first time, be Indians, while an Indian will also be charged with the management of India's Foreign Affairs. Moreover, members will now be selected by the Governor-General after consultation with 'political' leaders, though their appointment will of course be subject to the approval of His Majesty the King Emperor.

NO UNREASONABLE CONTROL OF VETO

"The Council will work within the framework of the present constitution; and there can be no question of the Governor-General agreeing not to exercise his constitutional power of control; but it will of course not be exercised unreasonably.

"I should make it clear that the formation of this 'interim' Government will in no way prejudice the final constitutional settlement.

TASK BEFORE NEW GOVT

"The main tasks for this new Executive Council would be:

"First, to prosecute the war against Japan with the utmost energy till Japan is utterly defeated.

"Secondly, to carry on the Government of British India, with all the manifold tasks of post-war development in front of it, until a new permanent constitution can be agreed upon and come into force.

"Thirdly, to consider, when the members of the Government think it possible, the means by which such agreement can be achieved.

"The third task is the most important. I want to make it quite clear that neither I nor His Majesty's Government have lost sight of the need for a long term solution, and that the present proposals are intended to make a long-term solution easier.

INVITEES

"I have considered the best means of forming such a Council; and have decided to invite the following to the Viceregal Lodge to advise me:

"Those now holding office as Premier in a Provincial Government; or, for Provinces now under Section 93 Government, those who last held the office of Premier.

"The Leader of the Congress Party and the Deputy Leader of the Muslim League in the Central Assembly; the Leaders of the Congress Party and the Muslim League in the Council of State; also the leaders of the Nationalist Party and the European Group in the Assembly.

"Mr. Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah as the recognised leaders of the two main political parties.

"Rao Bahadur N. Siva Raj to represent the Scheduled Classes.

Master Tara Singh to represent the Sikhs.

CONFERENCE AT SIMLA ON JUNE 25

Invitations to these gentlemen are being handed to them today and it is proposed to assemble the Conference on 25th June at Simla where we shall be cooler than at Delhi.

"I trust that all those invited will attend the Conference and give me their help. On me and on them will lie a heavy responsibility in this fresh attempt to make progress towards a final settlement of India's future.

OFFICE RESUMPTION

"If the meeting is successful, I hope that we shall be able to agree on the formation of the new Executive Council at the Centre. I also hope that it will be possible for Ministries to re-assume office and again undertake the tasks of Government in the Provinces now administered under Section 93 of the Constitution Act and that these Ministries will be Coalitions.

"If the meeting should unfortunately fail, we must carry on as at present until the parties are ready to come together. The existing Executive Council, which has done such valuable work for India, will continue if other arrangements cannot be agreed.

"MEETING WILL SUCCEED."

"But I have every hope that the meeting will succeed. If the party leaders will approach the problem with the sincere intention of working with me and with each other. I can assure them that there is behind this proposal a most genuine desire on the part of all responsible leaders in the United Kingdom and of the British people as a whole to help India towards her goal. I believe that this is more than a step towards the goal, it is a considerable stride forward, and a stride on the right path.

"I should make it clear that these proposals affect British India only and do not make any alteration in the relations of the Princes with the Crown Representative.

RELEASE OF WORKING COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

"With the approval of His Majesty's Government, and after consultation with my Council, orders have been given for the immediate release of the members of the Working Committee of the Congress who are still in detention. I propose to leave the final decision about the others still under detention as the result of the 1942 disturbances to the new Central Government, if formed, and to the Provincial Governments.

"The appropriate time for fresh elections for the Central and Provincial Legislatures will be discussed at the conference.

Finally, I would ask you all to help in creating the atmosphere of good will and mutual confidence that is essential if we are to make progress. The destiny of this great country and of the many millions who live in it depend on the wisdom and good understanding of the leaders, both of action and of thought, British and Indian, at this critical moment of India's history.

"FORGIVE AND FORGET".

"India's military reputation never stood higher in the world than it does at present; thanks to the exploits of her sons drawn from all parts of the country. Her representatives at international conferences have won high regard for their statesmanlike attitude. Sympathy for India's aspirations and progress towards prosperity was never greater or more widespread. We have thus great assets if we can use them wisely. But it will not be easy, it will not be quick; there is very much to do, there are many pitfalls and dangers. "THERE IS ON ALL SIDES SOMETHING TO FORGIVE AND FORGET."

"I believe in the future of India, and as far as in me lies will further her greatness. I ask you all for your co-operation and goodwill."

RANCHI, June 13 (A.P.I.)—Mr. Abdul Quayum Ansari, Vice-President of the All-India Momin Conference, has, it is understood, sent a telegram to the Viceroy, urging him to invite a representative of the Momins to the Conference of political leaders which His Excellency will shortly hold in New Delhi.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

ROME, June 13 (Reuter): Italian Admiralty circles here warmly support the proposal alleged to have been made by Signor Alberto Tarchiani, Italian Ambassador in Washington, that the Italian fleet should take part in the Pacific war.

Naval quarters here feel that such participation would restore the navy's fighting prestige and hope by this means to obtain alliance status. Many of the naval rank and file share these views.

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The British offer to India was made in simultaneous statements in Britain and India by Mr. L. S. Amery in Parliament and Lord Wavell on the Radio.

If you think that this fittingly represents the difference between Britain and India, you are quite right.

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We welcome all the titles in the Indian Birthday Honours List. The recipients richly deserve what has come to them. But we particularly greet the honour bestowed upon Lieutenant-Colonel Moses Sendak I.M.S. Superintendent, Special Prison, Ahmednagar Fort.

He has been most appropriately awarded the Order of the British Empire. We heartily congratulate those who chose this symbol of recognition.

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There are, of course, many omissions. There must be several hundreds who are as fully entitled to tokens of appreciation as the two hundred or so who have been more lucky. But they should have patience and wait prayerfully and with the same active enthusiasm as before. They too will get it around their necks one day.

But we do proclaim our profoundest sense of disappointment at the utter neglect with which one chass of the deserving had been treated. If ever there was a body of persons that has rendered distinguished and conspicuous—yes sir conspicuous—service to the Empire and the Great Cause (don't ask us what the words mean. We don't know. We have used them because they sounded impressive) it is that body. And it has been ignored, completely, almost to a name pseudonym, set of initials as the case may be. We protest. We loudly deplore negligence of the authorities responsible, we.....

Eh? What? Oh! We mean that band of gallant zealous and over-alert gentlemen who write letters to the Anglo-Indian Press.

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The 'Veto Committee" at San Francisco has approved the Big Five formula by 30 votes to 2 (Cuba and Colombia) with 15 countries abstaining.

But while we have no specific information yet we have no hesitation in insisting that there is no foundation for the suggestion that "India" is among the 15.

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Addressing a Social Workers' Society meeting, Shrimati Kamaladevi is reported to have confessed that notwithstanding the tremendous progress of the Women's movement in India there had not been a corresponding awakening in a sense of civic responsibility.

We have long known that but we couldn't dare to mention it. In fact a great many more categories can be added to 'civic' but we cannot dare to.

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At the same meeting Lady Rama Rau demanded equal rights for women.

We heartily thank the lady, presuming, of course, it means recognition at long last of the inequality suffered by men.

New Executive Not Responsible To Legislature

Amery Explains Wavell's Offer In Commons

"India's International Status Enhanced"

NEW DELHI, June 14. (A. P. I.): Mr. Leopold Amery, Secretary of State for India, in the House of Commons today said: "The offer of March, 1942, stands in its entirety. That offer is based on two main principles.

First, no limit is set to India's freedom to decide her own destiny whether as a free partner in the Commonwealth or even without it.

Second, that this can only be achieved under a constitution or constitutions framed by Indians to which the main elements are consenting parties. These principles, if I may quote the Prime Minister, 'stand in their full scope and integrity. No one can add anything to them and no one can take anything away'. This is an affirmation not only of our own loyal purpose but of the inescapable facts of the Indian situation. We can only transfer our ultimate control over India to a Government or Governments which are capable of exercising it. We cannot hand India over to anarchy or civil war. Our responsibility to the people of India themselves and indeed to the peace of the world forbids that. On the other hand we cannot impose a constitution that will break up the moment our authority is no longer there to sustain it".

NO UNDUE IMPATIENCE

Mr. Amery added: "So far no progress has been made in that direction and the internal deadlock, essentially a deadlock as between Hindu India and Muslim India remains unresolved. We should do wrong to be unduly impatient with Indian political leaders for their failure to find common ground. The issues at stake are great and the differences of approach to the problem are based on convictions sincerely and strongly held".

Mr. Amery added that the right solution would presently emerge and certainly His Majesty's Government would at all times be anxious to give such assistance as might contribute to its attainment. "Meanwhile India cannot stand still. Over and above the efforts still required for the war against Japan there is an immense task of reconstruction which cannot wait for the slower processes of political adjustment but which at the same time calls for the wholehearted co-operation of every community and section of the Indian people. This cannot be done without some real advance in the political field, some closer and more effective association of the organised political forces in India with the Government of their country.

INTERIM SOLUTION ONLY

"At the present junction this is only possible on an interim and provincial basis. It must be without prejudice to the ultimate constitutional settlement. The ideal to which we have always looked is that of an All-India Union in which the States would play their full part. At the same time we have also recognised the possibility that agreement between Hindus and Muslims on any form of Indian unity may be unattainable Any interim advance, therefore, must in no way prejudge the question whether the ultimate settlement is based on a united or a divided India or affect the existing position or the future freedom of choice of the States. That means that it must be within the existing constitution, for there is no change in that constitution which would not be regarded as giving a bias in favour of one or the other solution.

"There can be no question, therefore, of making the Executive responsible, in our parliamentary sense, to the Legislature. That would at once in Muslim eyes imply control of a unified India by a Hindu majority.

VETO—ONLY RESERVE POWER

"Nor can there be any question of doing away with the existing power of the Governor-General to overrule a majority view of his Council if in his opinion, I quote the language of the Act, 'the safety, tranquillity or the interests of British India are, or may be, essentially affected,' nor of his consequent responsibility to the Secretary of State and to Parliament for its exercise. That power is a power in reserve, not an instrument in normal use. So long, however, as there is no Indian constitution under which controversial issues can ultimately be resolved by an accepted democratic procedure, it is a necessary protection for the minorities whether against immediate injury or against decisions which might prejudice the constitutional future.

"It is in any case a power whose main purpose is to safeguard Indian interests. That applies no less to the Viceroy's duty, in the existing constitutional position, to secure the fulfilment of our obligations towards the States."

BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER

The Secretary of State continued: "In order to emphasise this aspect of the Viceroy's position as well as for reasons of practical convenience, His Majesty's Government have, in connection with these proposals, decided to appoint a United Kingdom High Commissioner in India to represent particular interests of the United Kingdom. Under the present conditions there is always the possibility that the Viceroy might, on a particular occasion, be placed, in dealing with his Council, in the ambiguous and even embarrassing dual position of being both concerned, as the head of the Government of India, with the defence of Indian interests and, at the same time, with representing the specific material interests of this country. A UNITED KINGDOM HIGH COMMISSIONER, ON THE OTHER HAND, WOULD BE FREE AS IN THE DOMINIONS TO DISCUSS AND NEGOTIATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ON A FOOTING OF COMPLETE EQUALITY AND ALSO OF COMPLETE FRANKNESS."

Earl Winterton asked, "To whom this High Officer would be responsible—the Foreign Office or the Dominions Office? That was the gist of the whole matter."

Mr. Amery replied that that was a matter of practical convenience. Most of his business, he imagined, would be conducted on behalf of departments like the Board of Trade or the Treasury, but who would answer for him in Parliament still remained to be settled and would have to be a subject of careful consideration.

TRIBUTE TO COUNCILLORS

Mr. Amery, continuing said that he had reviewed the conditions inherent in the situation which indicated the only line on which advance was possible. He described the changed composition of the Executive Council in the last five years and paid a tribute to the present members of the Viceroy's Executive Council. "These Indian members," he said, "are men who have played an active and distinguished part in Indian public life. They responded to the Viceroy's invitation to join him as colleagues because both as patriots and as practical men they believed that they would serve India better by assuming responsibility than by abstension. They have served India well and the value of their service and the advance it has represented will some day be more fully recognised."

ADMISSION OF FAILURE

"Unfortunately, it has to be admitted," said Mr. Amery, "and the members of the present Council would be the first to admit it, that their position is weakened by the fact that they do not enjoy the support of the main organised political parties. Neither in the Legislature nor in the Press are they sustained as a body by that measure of co-operation, good will and understanding which is so desirable for the carrying out of the great and urgent tasks of reconstruction. Nothing could serve that purpose better than if the leaders of those parties, postponing without prejudice the constitutional issues which have so far divided them, would agree together in giving their support to the formation of a new Executive selected from among the leaders of Indian political life both at the Centre and in the Provinces.

"If the offer which His Majesty's Government now make is accepted, all portfolios except that of the War Member held by the Commander-in-Chief will be transferred to Indian hands. The portfolios transferred would include not only the important Home and Finance Departments but also that of External Affairs hitherto reserve to the Viceroy in person. This would naturally be accompanied by the appointment of fully accredited Representatives abroad and so constitute a definite enhancement of India's international status. The new Executive would thus, in fact, though not as the outcome of any formal constitutional progress, be more representative of organised Indian political opinion.

COMMUNAL PARITY

"In selecting his Council," Mr. Amery continued, "The Viceroy will be concerned to secure a balance of representation of the main communities including equal proportions of Muslims and caste Hindus. I understand that he also intends to include representation for the Scheduled castes, for the Sikhs and possibly for some other special interests. But the essential condition is equality in representation between the two main communities. That is indispensable to securing agreement. If, however, the proposals for a newly selected Executive at the Centre are accepted, we would hope that ministerial Government would be resumed in the Provinces, now under Sec. 93, on a coalition basis. Such questions as the holding of elections whether at the Centre or in the Provinces will no doubt be discussed at the Conference with the Viceroy.

TRIBUTE TO WAVELL.

Referring to the composition of the conference, Mr. Amery said: "These then are the proposals which the Viceroy on behalf of H.M.G. is laying before India. They owe everything to the initiative of Lord Wavell, to his deep sympathy with India's aspirations and to his firm belief in India's future greatness. Their actual final form was shaped in consultation between him and the leading members of both the main parties in the late coalition. They thus represent an agreed national offer on the part of this country to the people of India.

"We earnestly hope that our offer will meet with acceptance", Mr. Amery concluded. "It is the utmost that we ourselves can do pending Indian agreement upon the final constitutional settlement. We believe and hope, however, that if accepted, the co-operation of Indian statesmen in facing many practical and urgent issues of India's needs, may help to bring the day of agreement nearer. In any case, the acceptance of our offer opens up a wide field of opportunity for Indians to mould their country's destiny, to build up its prosperity at home and to indicate its importance in the world scheme of the future.

"India has played, thanks to the valour of her fighting men, a notable part in the world's struggle for freedom. She feels that both her past efforts and the developments which she envisages entitle her to equal pride of place both among the peoples of the British Commonwealth and among the great nations of the world. We share that desire and, so far as in us lies, are making our offer as a genuine contribution to that end. We are placing India's immediate future in Indian hands. It is for them to take and shape it".

Attlee's Appeal To Indian Leaders

Mr. Clement Attlee, Leader of the Opposition, asked his friends in India to "seize this opportunity."

He began by saying that the action taken by the Government was, as Mr. Amery had said, the result of considerations given to this matter by the late Government, and of discussions with the Viceroy.

It was clear that Indian politicians were unable to solve what was called the deadlock. Labour was always anxious, as he thought the House was too, for Indian self-Government but they recognised the enormous difficulties of forming a constitution for a sub-continent of 400 million people of immense diversity of ways, language and degree of civilisation.

ONLY PRACTICAL LINE.

He believed it was a tragedy that the Cripps offer brought to India on behalf of the late Government had not been accepted As Mr. Amery had said that offer was still open. He agreed with Mr. Amery that a constitution could not be imposed on India, and this attempt being made by the Viceroy seemed to him to be the only practical line of advance at the present time.

He thought the attempt being made to get Indian leaders to enter the Viceroy's Executive and by working together on practical problems to learn to co-operate, deserved the support of leaders of public opinion.

The proposals went a very long way. They carried forward the process of Indianisation which had been going on for decades, but which had been greatly accelerated in recent years.

It enhanced the status of India in its relations with other nations. There was no doubt whatever that the representatives of India took a high place among the representatives of so many nations at San Francisco.

Mr. Attlee went on to say that this was only an interim arrangement. At the moment, complete agreement could not be obtained in India on an Indian constitution. He asked his friends in India to seize this opportunity. He knew how deep was the desire for the Government of India by Indians, and that India should be democratically governed. But the foundation of democratic institutions, he said, was tolerance. Their success depended on the way in which majorities and minorities could live together in unity without either oppression on the one hand or fear on the other.

PROGRESS IN ACTION.

He urged friends in India to remember that in the British Commonwealth, progress had been effected rather by practice than theory. Every step forward had led to the next step, until full self-Government had been achieved, he said, and formal acceptance of constitutional changes had been given after they became an accomplished fact.

He urged leaders of Indian public opinion and leaders of political parties to show statesmanship and to take a practical step forward, instead of standing aloof and troubling too much about theory. He was quite sure the decision to release the detainees was a wise one.

Mr. Sorensen (labour) interjected: It was very belated.

Mr. Attlee: That may be, but then Mr. Sorensen has not got the responsibility.

Mr. Attlee, continuing said "I believe we will all join in wishing the Viceroy success in his efforts and hope that this gathering may be as widely representative as possible, that he may obtain co-operation of the leading members of the community of all provinces, and that together they may be able to get an agreement which will lead to another great practical step forward.

"If you can get that practical step of working together in a Government, then you will have an infinitely better chance of solving the constitutional problem, which must be faced apart from this interim arrangement."

WILL CONVINCE INDIA.

Sir John Wardlaw Milne (Conservative): I think it is a very definite step forward which surely at least should show the whole world our anxiety to carry out plan set out in the offer sent to India some years ago. The thing now is to look to the future, to hope and believe that this offer will convince finally the people of India that by making this offer we have done everything that can be done by this house. There is no further step I can see that we could take to bring about self-Government in India on the lines offered when Sir Stafford Cripps went out some years ago.

"The final step must come from India herself, and I am really hopeful at last that if this offer is accepted we shall find that members of different communities, those differences are really very deep and very difficult for a European to understand, and who are very fearful of future in many cases will come together and get away from the feelings that have divided them in the past,

It is not going to be easy at all and it is very difficult for the world to understand conditions in India. I wish very much that not only this House but other nations understood them, and I wish very much that they were fully understood in the United States, for instance. I hope this offer will be accepted, and I hope and believe that if it is it may be the beginning of an understanding between the different parties which may eventually bring about a scheme of Government which will lead to final triumph of self-Government.

WHY NO RELEASE EARLIER?

Mr. Sorensen (Labour): The White Paper and its significance does need careful and sympathetic reflection. I feel personally it is regrettable from the standpoint of the best interests of our country and of India that the prisoners could not have been released earlier. I think they would have followed the lead of Mr. Gandhi, and so, have interfered with the war effort.

(Message Incomplete.)

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HELP THE RAILWAYS TO SEE IT THROUGH TO FINAL VICTORY

Soviet Warning To Clare Booth

LONDON, June 13, (Reuter) : The Moscow radio commentator Major Isakov today made a sharp attack against two United States Congress members, Mrs. Clare Booth Luce and Senator Burton K. Wheeler.

"What they are doing amounts to an open appeal for war against the Soviet Union. To call it abominable and foul is to put it mildly" said Isakov.

"We cannot be casual over the efforts of dubious forces who are openly and shamelessly preparing a third world war."

Describing the two as suffering from anti-Soviet hysteria, Isakov said: "We in the Soviet Union fully agree with Mr. Henry Wallace, United States Secretary of Commerce, in calling all people deliberately trying to spoil relations between the United States and Russia enemies of peace".

Big Five Veto Formula Approved

Cuba And Columbia Vote Against It; 15 Countries Abstaining

WASHINGTON, June 14 (Reuter). The Big Five's veto formula presented last week to the World Security Conference was yesterday approved in "Veto Committee" at San Francisco by 30 votes to two, with 15 countries abstaining.

The countries that voted against it were Cuba and Columbia.

The formula gives the Big Five power of veto over all voting, except at the discussion stage of a dispute.

The vote followed the defeat of an amendment by the Australian Representative Doctor Evatt, who wanted veto power limited to voting on actual action against aggression.

British Lost 2570, U. S. 538 Ships In War

Total Tonnage Lost Is 21,140,000

LONDON, June 13 (U.P.A.): The Admiralty revealed tonight that 4,770 Empire, Allied and neutral merchant ships, totalling 21,140,000 tons have been lost owing to enemy action during the war.

British Empire loss was 2,570 ships and United States loss 538 ships.

U-boats were accounted for 2,770 ships of which 440 were American 1,360 British, 670 Allied and 309 neutral ships.

4,000 Jap Planes Destroyed On Okinawa

NEW YORK, June 13. (U.P.A.): Over 4,000 Japanese planes were destroyed in ten weeks' fighting on Okinawa, according to a New York Radio broadcast.

Advance In Burma

AD HQ ALFSEA, June 14. (A.P.I.): "Our troops captured an enemy-held feature west of milestone 21 on the Toungoo-Mawchi road", says to-day's S.E.A.C. communique.

"In the area north-east of Prome, our troops are in contact with the enemy at milestone 20 on the road from Prome to Paukkaung, a village in the Pegu Yomas, 24 miles east of Prome.

"Ten miles east of Letpadan our troops encountered a group of approximately 60 of the enemy and inflicted casualties upon them.

"Elsewhere vigorous patrolling continued.

"AIR: Heavy bombers of air command in bad weather yesterday attacked Japanese shipping at Satahib in the gulf of Siam. Rolling stock and tracks were bombed at Kalunpe, north of Ye, and a locomotive was destroyed.

"Naval: First sighted and reported by a submarine, a Japanese supply ship and submarine chaser, which was acting as escort, has been sunk by East Indies fleet destroyers off the north-west of Sumatra. R.A.F. liberators operated in support. Bombing attacks were ineffectual. No damage or casualties were sustained throughout."

Japs Admit Allied Air Supremacy Over Okinawa

LONDON, June 14. (Reuter): The Japanese news agency quoting press reports to-day spoke of Allied air supremacy over Okinawa, and said that the United States air forces now have ten airfields there, in addition to airfields on Kita Naka and Iyejima, smaller islands off Okinawa coast.

Scores of United States heavy bombers from Europe have reached their bases in the Philippines, the agency added.

U. S. SHIPPING LOSSES

WASHINGTON, June 13. (Reuter): The loss of 1,554 United States merchant ships of 6,277,077 deadweight tons from direct war causes and marine accidents, largely due to war conditions, was announced to-day by Vice-Admiral Emory S. Land Chairman of the United States Maritime Commission and Administrator of the United States War Shipping Administration.

In the Pacific, Axis submarines and air attacks accounted for 44 American merchantmen, and in the Indian ocean and the Red Sea 27.

Calcutta Football

CALCUTTA, June 14. (A.P.I.): East Bengal defeated Eastern Command Signals by five goals to nil, in the only match played in the First Division of the Calcutta Football League to-day.

Good Beginning, Says Sidhwa

KARACHI, June 15 (A.P.I.)—"It is a good beginning" said Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, leader of the Congress Assembly Party, welcoming the release of the Congress Working Committee members.

He said: "Although there are many impediments, I hope that the leaders would be able to find out a solution and thus achieve the cherished goal of Independence."

Lord Samuel Urges General Amnesty

LONDON, June 14 (U.P.A.) During a discussion of the India statement in the House of Lords today, Viscount Samuel asked that because of the unconstitutional character of detention without trial, the Government should consider immediate steps to release the twelve hundred detained people at the same time as the Congress Party Working Committee members are released.

"If we could release the political leaders, there is no strong case for continuing to detain the small fry," Viscount Samuel argued.

He said the release of the eight Working Committee members of Congress was an act of faith which could prove the sincerity of Britain's intentions.

Lord Listowel, former Under-Secretary of State for India, said that India will not be a matter at issue in the British elections

CRIPPS OPTIMISTIC

LONDON, June 14 (Reuter).—Sir Stafford Cripps, speaking at Edinburgh to-night, said the new plan for India was worked out during the lifetime of the National Government at the suggestion of Lord Wavell, and was one for which he accepted his full share of responsibility. "I hope most earnestly that what is proposed will prove acceptable in India, and will succeed in bringing a new spirit of co-operation into the relations between the British and the Indian people."

Weekly Weather Report

POONA, June 13. (A. P. I.).

The following is the weekly weather report for the week ending June 6 1945:—

Weather was unsettled in Comorin and Baighbourhood during the whole week. This caused local widespread thunder showers in Malabar on most days. Mangalore recorded 6.6 inches of rain on June 2 and Alleppey 3.0 inches on June 5. Local thunderstorms occurred in Assam and Bengal during the first part of the week and in Chota Nagpur, the Konkan and South Deccan on a few days.

A Western disturbance caused fairly widespread precipitation in the Punjab hills, and local showers in the North-West Frontier Province and the hills of the United Provinces on May 31. Local precipitation occurred in Kashmir on [illegible].

Day temperatures were generally above normal from the Punjab to south-west Bengal during the second half of the week.

The Peninsula rainfall was widespread in Mysore on three days and in Mysore on May 31. Local rain occurred in the Bombay Deccan on three days, in the Konkan and Malabar on two days each and North Hyderabad and the Madras Deccan on one day each.

The week's rainfall was 33 per cent of more in excess in the south-west Punjab, the North-west Frontier Province, Gujarat and Bombay Deccan, and normal in Assam and the Madras Deccan, elsewhere it was 21 per cent more in defect except in Baluchistan where no rain fell as is usual at this time of the year

FRANCE HONOURS EISENHOWER

PARIS June 14. (Reuter). France bestowed its greatest military honour—the Cross of the Liberation—on General Dwight David Eisenhower, the Supreme Commander, this afternoon.

At an impressive ceremony in front of the Arc de Triomphe General de Gaulle made the presentation.

When the Supreme Commander, who is shortly leaving for America, was inspecting the massed troops, planes swirling overhead, trailed streamers bearing the words, "Bon Voyage

Bombay Congressmen Decline To Comment

POONA June 14. (A. P. I.): Prominent Bombay Congressmen who are here awaiting the release of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel declined to comment directly on the merits of the Wavell proposals. Now that the members of the Congress Working Committee are to be released they think the Working Committee should take stock of the situation and consider the proposals dispassionately.

Mr Mangaldas Pakvasa President of the Bombay Legislative Council, said it should be left to responsible leaders of the Congress to express their opinion on the proposals, after mature consideration.

Mr S K Patil Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, said: "Those who are competent to comment on the proposals are in jail". He expressed satisfaction that the Congress leaders were being released and thought that lifting of the ban on the Congress organisation would follow automatically.

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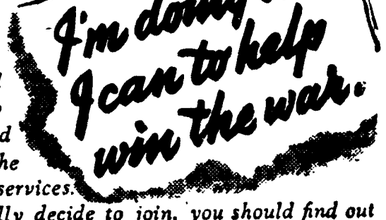

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ON WITH THE SHOW

LEFT: John Wayne and Martha Scott in "In Old Oklahoma", RIGHT: Linda Darnell in "Summer Storm".

The Regal: 1st Run

"Frisco Sal" (Universal).
Stars: Susanna Foster, Turhan Bey.
Director: George Wagner.
Type of Film: Musical.

The Barbary Coast of the Nineties is the setting for this rather dull musical which tries to combine comedy with drama with little success.

Sal, a New England choir singer, comes to San Francisco trailing her brother who is believed to have been murdered. She joins a music-hall as a singer because she suspects the proprietor (Turhan Bey) of somehow being connected with her brother's disappearance. Of course, it is a foregone conclusion that the two fall in love with each other.

One of a gang of "hoodlums," led by Sal's brother (Alan Curtis) who is very much alive, poisons the girl's mind against her employer by telling her that it was he who murdered her brother. The whole skein, however, is finally unravelled, and brother sister and sweetheart are reunited.

Susanna Foster's glorious voice has been given little chance here. Her acting ability falls far short of her unexploited vocal talents. The rest of the cast, which includes Andy Devine and Thomas Gomez, give reasonably good performances.

REPEAT FILMS

Metro: 9th Week

"Bathing Beauty" (M.G.M.)
Stars: Red Skelton, Esther Williams, Basil Rathbone.
Type of Film: Technicolour Musical.

Excelsior: 2nd Run

"A Song To Remember" (Columbia).
Stars: Merle Oberon, Cornel Wilde, Paul Muni.
Director: Charles Vidor.
Type of Film: Drama.

This picture vividly unfolds the story of Chopin's love-affair with the notorious George Sand, the woman novelist who flouted the conventions of the Society of her time. It is left to Elsner, the music teacher of Chopin, to wean the genius away from the selfish love of George Sand who inspired the composer to write lilting melodies to the detriment of more serious creations and of concert work. Atlast, Chopin rises to the call of his starving and oppressed country's need, and embarks on the Drudgery of a concert-tour, giving his life in the process.

Merle Oberon imparts the right degree of wantonness and egotism to her role of George Sand. Muni is good as Elsner. Cornel Wilde is obedient in his portrayal of the weak-willed composer. The music of Chopin is there—but only as a background to the human drama. The beauty of the period settings and dresses is heightened by the technicolour.

SAGA OF PIONEERING

at

The Strand: 1st Run

"In Old Oklahoma" (Republic).
Stars: John Wayne, Martha Scott and Albert Dekker.

A decade ago, on a small lot at 4 024 Radgard Avenue in N. Hollywood, Republic Pictures were born. To-day, under the pilotship of the founder Herbert J. Yates, the sound stages have increased from two to twenty of the finest best-equipped stages in the world.

Republic Pictures, right from the start, decided to concentrate on a much neglected phase of movie art—Western pictures, bringing to us, the audience, the rugged beauty of the wide open spaces. Such stars as William Boyd, Chester Marris, Helen Morgan, Conrad Nagel, Von Stroheim, Henry Wilcoxon and Wendy Barrie have graced the lists of Republic Pictures. In this galaxy is also to be found the name of John Wayne, who comes to us in "In Old Oklahoma" which will mark Republic Pictures' 10th Anniversary. Let us, who love the great out-doors and thrill to the daring adventures of Western heroes, wish Republic a long, long life.

John Wayne is, as usual, tall strong and silent in his role of an itinerant cow-boy as ready as ever with his fists. Martha Scott plays Cathy Allen the authoress of a book considered daring and shocking for 1906. She is compelled to leave the small town where she has led the humdrum life of a school-teacher. On the journey, she shares the private car of Jim Gardner (Dekker) an oil-operator who has transformed Sapulpa into a boom oil town. The cow-boy becomes their travelling companion, and a triangular situation develops. Rivalry over possession of Red Indian lands which contain oil, arises between the two men. Gardner is only concerned with lining his own pockets, whereas the honest cow-boy wishes to share the profits fairly. The latter wins both the oilfields and the girl. in the end. There are some thrilling hand to hand scraps, and exciting scenes in which oil-wagons are driven through areas set afire by the scheming Gardner. All the players give vigorous performances.

If you are a lover of Westerns this picture will appeal to you greatly.

SLOW-MOVING MELODRAMA

at

The New Empire: 1st Run

"Summer Storm" (United Artistes).
Stars: George Sanders, Linda Darnell.
Director: Douglas Sirk.

A wanton Russian peasant girl is the pivot of this old-fashioned melodrama reminiscent of silent picture days when Pola Negri and Theda Bara blew hot gusts of passion across the screen. Linda Darnell, however, plays the main role with more restraint than the sirens of old. As Olga, the daughter of a wood-cutter on the estate of Count Volsky (Edward Everett Horton), she is convincingly wily, grasping and lascivious. Hugo Hass as Urbenin, the peasant overseer of the estate whom Olga marries for selfish reasons, is the only member of the cast besides Lindt Darnell, who manages to look, a Russian. The other players appear as though they had clambered into Russian outfit for a fancy dress ball. George Sanders, as Judge Petroff, who falls a prey to Olga's dangerous charms, looks nothing but a haw-haw Englishman and an insufferable bore. Horton's attempt at playing a decadent Russian aristocrat is ludicrous in the extreme.

The plot conforms to the best traditions of melodrama: On the night of her wedding, Olga manages to get Juge Petroff into a compromising situation in which he is discovered by his fiancee (Anna Lee) who promptly breaks off their engagement. Overcome by the woman's wiles, the judge carries on his liason with her though he finds it degrading to his self-esteem, particularly when she starts to angle for Count Volsky in the hope of winning a title. At last, consumed by fury and jealousy, Petroff kills the woman who has exerted such a fatal fascination over him. Her peasant husband is sent to the salt mines of Siberia for his presumed guilt—a miscarriage of justice which the weakened Petroff permits.

Once Linda Darnell disappears from the scene, the picture becomes dull and boring. Themes such as this are best consigned to the limbo of penny-flickers of the past. It is a pity they are revived.

The Eros: 1st Run

"Here Come The Waves".
Stars: Bing Crosby, Betty Hutton.
Director: Mark Sandrich.
Type of Film: Musical Comedy.

The picture falls far below the standard set by most of Crosby's former films. He plays the part of a famous crooner who, along with his pal (Sonny Tufts) falls in love with Rosemary (Betty Hutton) who has a twin sister, Susie. The latter becomes enamoured of the crooner, but her affection is unreciprocated. The two men join the navy and are sent to San Diego. The twins are also transferred there in their capacity of 'Waves.' The fight for Rosemary's attentions begins in real earnest between the crooner and his friend. Susie complicates matters by suggesting to the authorities, in a letter, that the crooner might be used to help the recruitment of 'Waves.' The letter is written as though coming from the singer himself, which leads Rosemary to believe that he is trying to evade active service. Susie and the crooner's friend resort to a funny trick in an attempt to part the two lovers. Finally, conscience-stricken, they help to smooth things out and fall into each other's arms.

The film contains seven songs of which I found only one—"The Long Way Home," to have an appeal.

RETURN FILMS

Aurora (Matunga)

"Gaslight" (M.G.M.)
Stars: Boyer and Bergman.

This is a suspenseful story of a man who deliberately contrives to drive his wife insane to hide the terrifying secret of his own past.

Palace (Byculla)

"The Big Noise" (20th Century Fox).
Stars: Laurel and Hardy.

The two popular comedians here appear as two detectives assigned the job of guarding a secret explosive in the home of its inventor.

SUNDAY MORNING SHOWS

METRO—10 a.m.: "The Wizard of Oz"—Judy Garland.
PALACE—10-30 a.m.: "Star-Spangled Rhythm"—Bing Crosby, Bob Hope.
AURORA—10-30 a.m.: "Mr. Bug Goes To Town"—Technicolour Cartoon
EROS 10 a.m.: "China"—Loretta Young, Alan Ladd, William Bendix.
REGAL—10-30 a.m.: "Pardon My Sarong"—Abbott and Costello.
CAPITOL—10 a.m.: "Frankenstein Meets The Wolf Man"—Lon Chaney Jr. Bela Lugosi.
STRAND—10-30 a.m.: "Dangerously They Live"—John Garfield, Nancy Coleman.

HUSSEINBHOY LALJEE'S WIRE TO VICEROY

Mr. Huseinbhoy A. Lalljee has sent the following telegram to H. E. the Viceroy:

While according Your Excellency our welcome back to India we pray that Providence may be pleased to initiate through Your Excellency the great constitutional reforms in this country as it had pleased Him to initiate through Your Excellency a real turn of tide in our favour in the Herculean task of bringing to a successful end our fight in the great world upheaval in the west and that during Your Excellency's Viceroyalty this country be so enabled as during the last six years to stand shoulder to shoulder also as one of the great powers who would bring peace in the East and harmony in the World.

Regarding our representation for the Shia Muslim rights we feel sure by now Your Excellency's Government is fully aware that almost the whole prominent Shia press and the great religious Ullemas have not only associated with it but have supported it and have pledged to stand by it and we trust this our representation made now will be taken as having been made at a right time that is when we have all emerged successful after our great sacrifices from our

Mr. Hussainbhoy Laljee

woes and worries and when in right spirit the consideration of our great constitutional reforms is on the anvil.

We take this opportunity also to request Your Excellency to convey to His Majesty's Brittanic Government our thanks for the timely intervention in the crisis that have arisen in Syria and Lebanon in consonance with the declared policy of upholding the independent status of those peoples and Your Excellency who so well know this country will we hope assure His Majesty's Brittanic Government that this country is and will at all sacrifice stand by them in maintaining the declared policies not only with regard to Syria and Lebanon but also with regard to Palestine and Iran from which people we know how Your Excellency has obtained their affections and how Your Excellency being one of the great personalities who actually had been in charge of these areas know how loyally these peoples have stood by us and the United Nations even though when they were being so much induced and so much coerced. We also pray that in view of the appeal made by Iran and according to which American troops are withdrawing therefrom our government will assure the Iranian people that as soon as Russian troops start withdrawing we will also withdraw our troops as we stand by our declared policy of seeing every people enjoy its independence and further if this policy is made well-known in India all the people in the country will feel happy and grateful.

Truman Asks Senate To Reverse Passage Of Wherry Amendment

WASHINGTON, June 13 (U P A) President Harry S. Truman, in a statement to the press today, said that he has urged the Senate to reverse Monday's passage of the Wherry amendment which prohibits ceiling prices of farm commodities unless they guarantee a profit.

Textile men bitterly attacked the amendment charging that it would raise the price of cotton with the resultant squeeze on cotton users.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, June 14.

Coccanut Raw 63, Dry 80, Coccanut oil 300, Copra Office 192/8, Dilpasand 207/8, Madrasnottam 222/8, Goodgooda 212/8, Pepper Wynaad 320, Country 315, Dry Ginger Chernad 227/8, Ernad 212/8, Coffee Robusta 85.

Imperial Bank Of India

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 8th June 1945.

LIABILITIES	Rs.
CAPITAL:—	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,00,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	2,34,47,69,000
Sundries	1,97,18,000
Rupees	2,48,07,37,000

ASSETS	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities	1,39,26,48,000
Other Authorised Investments	4,39,00,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	14,68,44,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	46,76,77,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	4,25,80,000
Dead Stock	1,63,81,000
Sundries	1,36,40,000
CASH:—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	34,27,34,000
Balances with other Banks	1,43,33,000
Rupees	2,48,07,37,000

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LAST MILE OF OROKU PENINSULA OVERRUN

Japs Prefer Death To Surrender: Organised Enemy Resistance In Okinawa Liquidated

LONDON, June 14 (Reuter): United States marines liquidated organised resistance by the Japanese in the northern pocket of Okinawa yesterday, reports Reuter's Special Correspondent at the Pacific Fleet Headquarters at Guam.

Driving from all directions they slashed the final defence lines to ribbons and overran the last square mile of Japanese territory in Oroku Peninsula, counting 3,500 Japanese dead after nine days' battle.

No prisoners have been reported taken in the savage fighting to the finish.

Among the installations overrun were a Japanese hospital, where there were 150 military patients. All were dead when marines arrived—in accordance with the Japanese policy of not allowing their wounded to fall into enemy hands.

The loss of the pocket reduces Japanese holdings to 13 square miles on the southern tip, where infantry and marines made general advances yesterday upto 400 yards they are building up strong pressure along the edge of almost the entire defence escarpment and further driving back the flanks along both the east and west coasts in what appears to be another incipient flanking pincer of the same kind that smashed the Shuri line.

As ground forces gained these new successes, American aircraft based on Okinawa attacked Kanoya and Kushira air bases on the Japanese home island of Kyushu, according to a communique issued by Admiral Chester Nimitz.

In Borneo, Australian troops have seized Brunei airstrip in an 8-mile advance and reached a point two miles from Brunei itself, General MacArthur's communique reports today.

Arthur's communique reports to-day.

Another force has landed on the west coast of Borneo near the scene of the present fighting and is advancing on high ground commanding the water front of Brunei. In the Philippines, further progress is reported on both Luzon and Mindanao.

It is officially announced in Lisbon that Macao, the Portuguese island west of Hong Kong was bombed last Monday for the fourth time in the war. A four-engined plane of unknown nationality dropped three bombs and strafed the population, killing one person and wounding two.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK MAY VISIT UNITED STATES

NEW YORK June 13. (U. P. A.): China's Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek hopes to visit the United States soon according to a broadcast from Chungking today by National Broadcasting Company correspondent Lowell Thomas.

Thomas said the Generalissimo divulged this information during a recent conversation with the commentator.

Japs Change Tune

LONDON, June 13 (U.P.A.): The Japanese propaganda today adopted the tone used by Nazi Germany during the last days with Tokyo radio talking of "resistance" instead of winning the war.

Constitutional Govt. For China

Kuomintang Standing Committee Decides To Adopt Measures

Chungking June 13. (Reuter): Measures to achieve Constitutional Government in China have been decided on by the Kuomintang Standing Committee, said the Chinese Minister of Information Dr. Wang Shih Chien today.

These are: firstly, establishment of District People's Political Councils throughout Free China within the next six months, on the basis of popular elections.

Secondly, abolition of all branch offices of the Kuomintang in the National Army not later than August 4 and in all types of schools before November 12, the date fixed for convening the National Assembly.

Italian Fleet Wants To Participate In Pacific War

ROME, June 13 (Reuter): Italian Admiralty circles here warmly support the proposal alleged to have been made by Signor Alberto Tarchiani, Italian Ambassador in Washington, that the Italian fleet should take part in the Pacific war.

Naval qarters here feel that such participation would restore the navy's fighting prestige and hope by this means to obtain alliance status. Many of the naval rank and file share these views.

CHINESE CAPTURE WENCHOW

Japs Abandon Indo-China Corridor?

CHUNGKING, June 13 (UPA): Chinese forces and local militia are closing in on the Chekiang port of Wenchow, with Japanese forces rapidly retreating, according to reports received here from the war front.

Meanwhile, a Chinese communique issued to-day said that Chinese forces have captured) th Julan and Pingyang, twenty and twenty-five miles south of Wenchow.

The capture of Wenchow, which is 230 miles south of Shanghai, would give the Allies another valuable port for possible landings along the China Coast south of Shanghai

The Japanese are believed to have completed their plans for abandoning their southern corridor into Indo-China, but they will probably fight delaying actions at Liuchow and Kweilin on the corridor, and at Ishan, 43 miles west of Liuchow

Villagers Resent Harijans Travelling By Bus

(From Our Correspondent)

BHUJ, June 14: Kunbis of Kera and Baladia villages who follow Swami Narayan got furious on account of the Kutch Government's order allowing Harijans to travel in public conveyances. They have resolved not to travel in buses running between Kera and Bhuj. One wealthy Kunbi of Kera preferred to go on foot from Bhuj to Kera and was found dead near a well at Sedat village by his relatives next morning.

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GOLD AND SILVER REACH NEW HIGH LEVELS

Cotton Market Narrow With Restricted Business

BOMBAY, June 14.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was fairly steady with a moderate turnover. During the early part of the session there was increased demand and quotations moved up but later there appeared some realising which reduced earlier gains. There was some replacement buying and dealers were anxiously awaiting new proposals which are to be released this evening. As a result of day's working Tata Steel Dfds. gained Rs. 11/- but Ordinary Shares were unchanged. Bombay Dyeings advanced Rs. 7/-.

The Bullion Market was firm under speculative manipulation influenced by further increase in paper currency. Both Gold and Silver reached new high levels.

Cotton Market was narrow and neither buyers nor sellers have courage to increase risks pending settlement of options.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was fairly steady to-day under slightly increased buying. As anticipated after the recent setback, the market once again resumed upward trend under speculative activity mostly confined to Tata Steel shares. Cotton Mill shares are moving in sympathy but the volume of business in these shares is very small.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened today at Rs. 2235 and after declining to Rs. 2227 advanced to Rs. 2240. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 413 and after declining to Rs. 412 steadied at Rs. 413. Bombay Dyeing shares were done at Rs. 1897/8 and Kohinoor Mill shares were quoted at Rs. 615. The market was steady with replacement buying.

Later on there was some realising which reduced gains to some extent but the undertone was good and the market closed with some gains.

GOLD AND SILVER
Active Speculative Buying Tells On Quotations

The Bombay Bullion market remains highly speculative and quotations are reaching higher levels. The present design of trading together with steady increase in the paper currency are encouraging bulls who miss no opportunity to raise quotations.

Recently a prominent operator took a short position but the all powerful syndicate forced him to cover his unprotected sales. Thus Bulls are virtual dictators of prices. The daily sales by the Reserve Bank have totally failed to stabilise the price structure and inflation is having unchecked effect.

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 20,000 tolas gold at Rs. 78/10 and 100 bars silver at Rs. 135/13. The offerings were easily absorbed.

Forward gold opened to-day at Rs. 78/4 and quickly advanced to Rs. 78/10 and later steadied at Rs. 78/7. Ready gold was quoted at a premium of annas five at Rs. 78/12.

Trading in forward silver commenced at Rs. 135/4 and under active bull support quotation rose to Rs. 136. At this level a prominent operator sold and silver declined to Rs. 135/4 but again steadied at Rs. 135-8. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 135/14.

Later on the market was strong on active buying and great excitement prevailed. Both Gold and Silver rose to Rs. 79 and Rs 136/8 respectively. Towards the close there was heavy realising and the market reacted.

Closing quotations were as under :—

SILVER			
Ready	136	1	0
Settlement	135	12	0
GOLD			
Ready	78	5	0
Settlement	78	4	0
Sovereigns	33	8	0

BOMBAY COTTON

The local cotton market opened today at Rs 416. for July delivery and declined to Rs 415/8 under scattered selling. At this level thus appeared some buying and July improved to Rs 416/8 and later steadied at Rs 416.

The market is waiting for the settlement of option business next week. There is less disposition to operate pending further developments.

Considerable bullish enthusiasm induced some buying and July advanced to Rs 417/8 but later reacted to Rs 416/4. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under :—

I C C July	416	0	0
I C C Sept	431	0	0

High & Low Cotton Prices

BOMBAY, June 14.

I C C July Highest 416-1/2 Lowest 413-1/2 Closing at 6 p m 416-1/2

I C C Sept. Highest 431-1/2 Lowest 428_1/2 Closing at 6 p.m. 431_1/2.

Karachi 4F July Highest 43/1/6 Lowest 42/13/0 Closing at 6 p m 42/13/3

COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton July Contract is 703 cent points below New York July at Exchange rate 331

Increased Hedge Selling Meets Trade Support In N. Y. Cotton Market

NEW YORK, June 13.

New York cotton opened quiet. The extension of the opening gains principally attributable to price fixing against textile orders encountered increased hedges and Wall Street's liquidation possibly deflecting technical considerations and uncertainties over house reception of the senate's approved price control legislation. The weekly weather report was mixed and carried no feature so far as the market was concerned Latterly prices became steadied on trade support and subsidence of offerings and inflationary psychology. The session closed steady

NEW YORK COTTON

July	23.09—01
October	22.80—83
October lowest (11-36) a m)	22.78—05
December	22.78—01
January	22.72—01
March	22.74+01.
May	22.68—
July	22.54—04
Middling Spot	23.5++01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

July	23.03—01
October	22.83—
December	22.81+01
March	22.76+01
Middling Spot	22.65—

NOON CALL

July	23.08
October	22.80
December	22.77

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, June 14.

MILLS

Ahmedabad Advance 400
Apollo 3/15/6 3/15/3
Bharat 59
B. Dyeing 1886/4 87/8 77/8 82/8 78/12 86/4 83/12 98/12 83/12 86/4
Central India (Ord) 382 81/8 82 80 82/8 79/8 80/8
Colaba 219 21 20
Edward 625
Elphinstone (Ord) 80
Elphinstone (Pref) 123/12
Finlay 291 90 91 90
Gokak 299 93 302 301
India United Defd 2/15 2/14 6 2/15
India United Ord 14/3 14/3/6 14/1 6 14/2
Indore 723/12 25 20 27/8 21/4
Kohinoor 612/8 13/8 11/8 12/8 11/8 15 14 15/8 11/8 12
Luxmi 1363/12
Meyer 190 91/4 90 91/4
Minerwa 232/8
Model 245
Morarjee 757/8 52/8 60 57 8
New Great 383 84 83/8 85 82
Podar 530
Sassoon Silk 78
Shrinivas 357/8 55
Simplex 287 84/8 87 84/8
Swadeshi 533 31 33/8 32 33/8 34
Swan 309 10/8
Tata Mills 60 60/8 60/4
Vishnu 490 86/4

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Baroda 144
Central 80/12 81/4
Imperial (Old) 2000
Imperial (New) 512/8 10
India 186
International 47
National Savings (F P) 38/8
Reserve 141
Union 9/2
United Commercial 71

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 240 39/8 40
Andhra Valley (Ord) 1790
Tram (Ord) 143 43/8 43
Tram (Pref) 68/4 68/8
Karachi 240
Surat 240
Hydro (Ord) 204
Hydro (Pref) 162 61/4
Power (Ord) 1826/4
Power (Pref) 1725

INSURANCE

British India 23 23/2 23
Mercantile 68/4
Jupiter 30/4
New India 82 81/12 82
Vulcan 18/2
Bombay Steam 585
Scindia 36/6 36/8 36 6 36/10 36/9
Tata Steel Defd 2237/8 35 38/12 36 4 32/8 23/12 35 28/12 40 36/4 43/12 36/4 38/12 23/12 26/4
Tata Steel Ord 413 14 11/8 12/8 11 13 12 15 10 10/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref 167 66/12

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 420/8
A Cement 217/4 16/4 16 8
Belapur 222 24 23/8
Burmah (Old) 527/8 25
B. B. Petrol 5/12/9 5/13/8 5/12 6
Dena Invest 26 (Ex Div)
Indian Bleaching 164/8
I. I. Trust 115/8 8
Port Canning 104/12 5
P Construction (Ord) 220/8 21
Shivrajpur 51
Tata Chemical 19/12 19/10
Tata Oil 68/12
Wetsern India Match 321/4
Cooria Mills 230

Aircraft Shares Rise On New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, June 13.

Wall Street opened irregular and active and aircrafts stimulated by expected good postwar business, led the advance fractions to more than one point with selected issues also supported but many leaders were neglected. Favourable earning and dividends propped individual shares with a few touching new high levels. Dealings picked up occasionally but were mainly slow. Aircrafts rose more than two points while selected utilities and specialities advanced fractionally. The ticker tape lagged most of the time but picked up toward the close which was firm.

American Telephone and Telegraph (171_1/2) 171-7/8 Amerex Corp (33_1/8) 33_3/8 Anaconda Copper Minnig (34) 34_3/8 Chase National Bank (44_1/4) 44_3/8 Consolidated Oil (16_3/4) 16_1/4 Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co (61_1/4) 61_5/8 General Electric Co. (43-1/8) 43_1/2 General Motors (68_3/8) 68_7/8 Ingersol Rand (119) 119_1/2 International Nickel (34-1/2) 34_3/4 National City Bank of New York (45-5/8) 46_3/4 New York Central Rail Road (28) 28-3/8 Socony Vacuum Corpn. (16_1/4) 16_1/8 Texas Corp (52-5/8) 52_3/4 Union Carbon and Carbide (89-1/4) 89 1/2 U S Smelting Refining Mining C (66) 66 U S Steel Corpn (67_3/4) 68_3/4 Western Union Telegraph Co. (48_1/8) 38-1/4.

N. Y. Bank Shares

NEW YORK June 12 (U P A.) Prices of share in major New York City banks, after their slight decrease of yesterday, rose nearly a point in over_the-counter trading today.

National City Bank of New York Closed at 46 1/2 bid, 48 1/2 asked; compared with the previous close of 45 5/8 bid, 47 5/8 asked.

Worth Street Quiet

NEW YORK, June 13 (U P A). The Worth Street Cloth Market continued quiet today as unfilled cotton goods orders continued to pile up while producers cut off their springs minimum until revised price ceilings are clarified.

Chicago Grains Market

CHICAGO, June 13.

Chicago grains ruled strong under the leadership of rye which touched new high levels for the season attributed to the tightening statistical position and the talk that the war production board may ask distiller not to use maize during the July whiskey holiday. Mill buying of wheat and apprehension over maize crop development and lightness of offerings were also helpful.

July (1.67_1/2 to 1.67_5/8) 1.68-1/4 to 1.68-1/4 Sept. (1.63-1/4 to 1.63-1/4) 1.64_3/8 to 1.64_1/2 Dec 1/63-1/8 to 1.63_1/4) 1.64-1/4 to 1.64-5/8.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, June 14.

LONDON: Banks Buying 90 Days, st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 90 Days, st. 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C. RATES: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1, 32 D D 1/6 3, 32.

LONDON/NEW YORK :

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3,4 D D Rs. 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 328 1/2.

LONDON/MONTREAL :

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2.

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4.

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LONDON BULLION

LONDON, June 13.

Spot 25 1/2 Forward 25-1/2 Gold bars fine per oz. £8,12 3.

INDIAN COTTON ON WAY TO CHINA

Further Purchases To Relieve Textile Shortage

CHUNGKING, June 10 (Delayed) — (U P A)—The first consignment of several thousands tons of Indian cotton, purchased by Government authorities, is said to be en route to China. It is understood that the original plan to purchase Indian cotton to relieve the textile shortage in China, will be carried out. A proposal had been made to buy long staple cotton in Brazil in preference to Indian cotton but transportation difficulties are said to have discouraged the plan.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, June 13.

	£
Rupee Paper 3_1/2 p c	72_3 4
Consols 2-1/2 p c	53
Conversion Loan 3 1 2 p c 1961	106-1 8
War Loan 3_1/2 p c	103-7 8
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	113_9 16
Victory Bonds 4 p c	113 9 16
Chartered Bank of I A and China	11-9 16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg	86
National Bank of India	41-1 4

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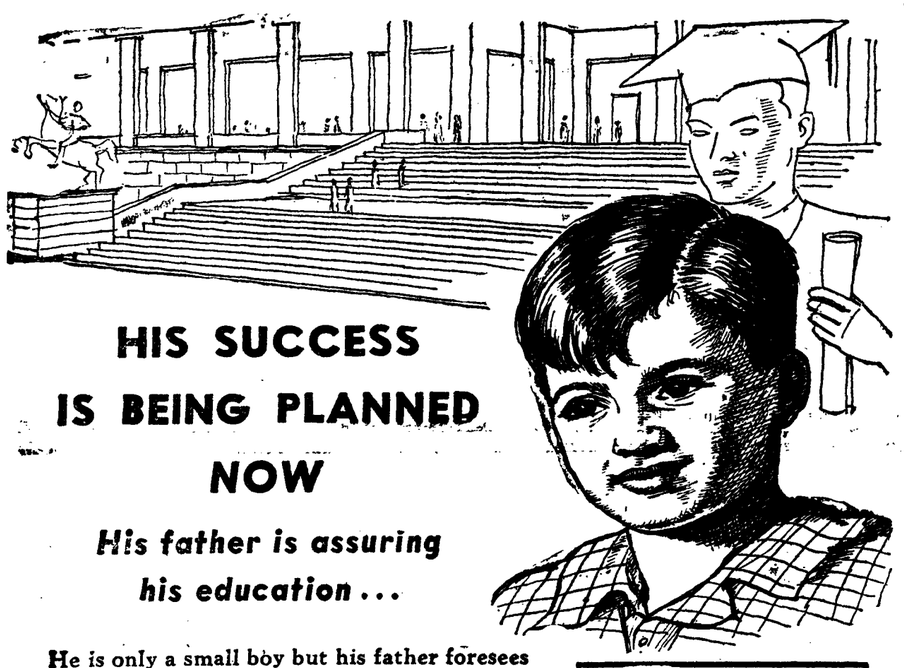

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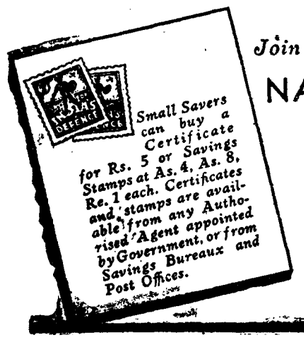
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NOTICE TO SPECIAL JURORS

MEMBERS of the Special Jury summoned for the current Criminal Sessions are required to attend the High Court, on Friday, the 15th June 1945 at 10-45 a. m. (S. T.).

J. B. GREAVES,
Sheriff of Bombay.

Bombay, 14th June, 1945.

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NOTICE.

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RASIKLAL C. PARIKH,
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Research and Postgraduate Department,
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B. M. MULGAOKER,
Ag. Secretary.

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(Sd.) MANOHARLAL BAGAI,
Advocate.
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Assanand son of Seth Harichand.
Piarelal, Beharilal, Ramlal, Gopichand, Dayaldass and Hukamchand sons of Seth Guruditttaram.
Dera Ismail Khan,
dated 21-5-45.

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NOTICE.

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